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Kowloon Dep.	6.40	8.05	8.50	9.05	9.15	10.00	10.10	10.15	10.25	10.35	10.45	10.55	11.05	11.15	11.25	11.35	11.45	11.55	12.05	
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Fanning Dep.	7.30	—	—	—	10.10	10.47	10.57	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.07	
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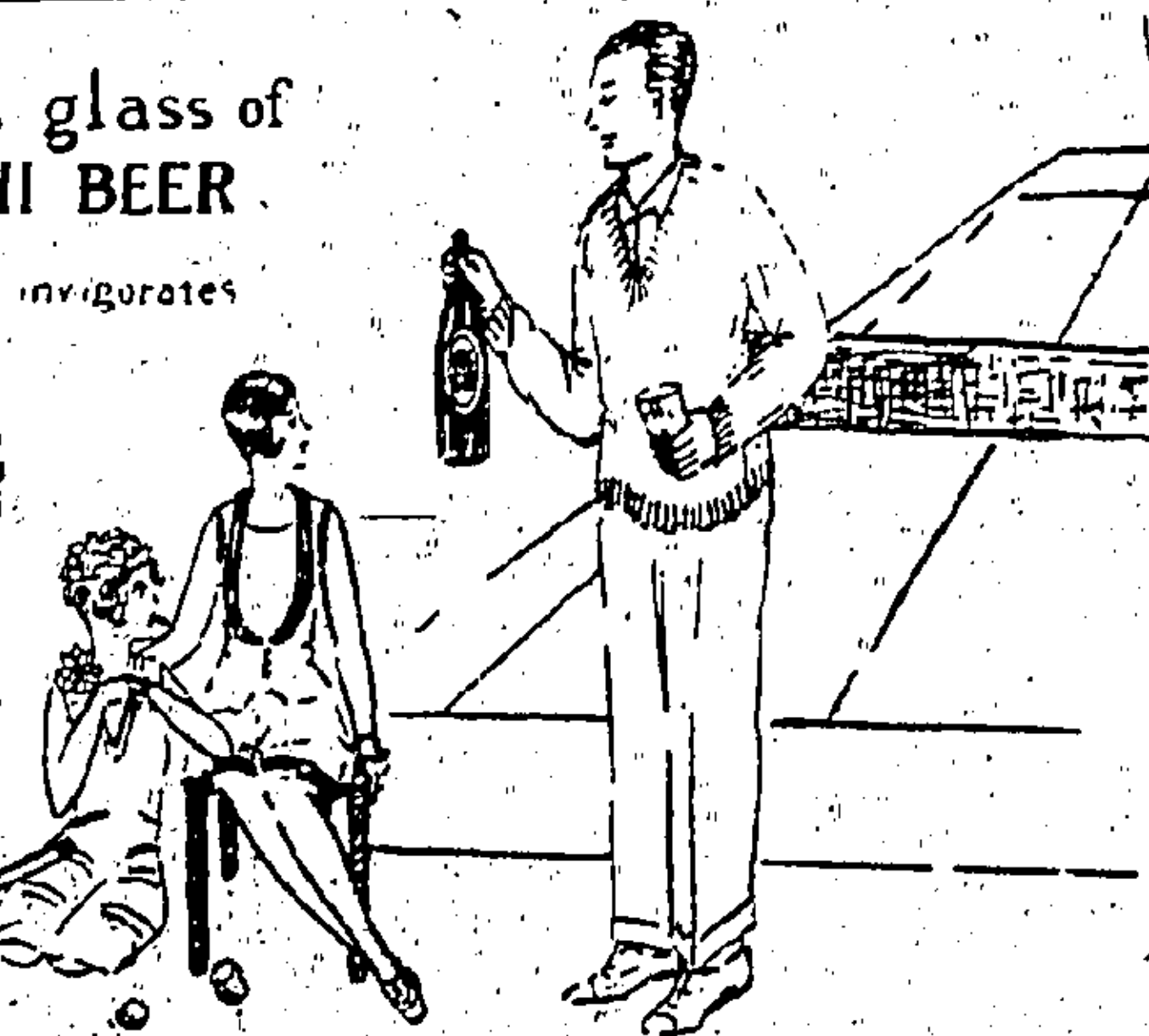


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Money and Markets

HONG KONG MARKET REPORTS.

Quotations at yesterday's local market, in rice, sugar and other foodstuffs were as follows:—

Rice.	Per Picul.
Red Sea Mui	7.58
Full Moon White	7.32
Tuk Kam	7.19
Green Pearl White	6.53
Green Pearl Brewer	5.84
Green Pearl No. 2 Broken	5.84
Red Flower Pot	7.31
Red Seal Glutinous	6.80
Red Seal No. 1 Glutinous	6.38
Red Seal No. 2 Glutinous	6.05
Black Seal No. 1	8.03
Black Seal No. 2	8.00
Green Seal White Brewer	6.62
Sugar.	Per Picul.
No. 18 coarse powdered	7.35
No. 24 coarse powdered	7.73
Java Brown	6.33
Manila Green	5.03
Miscellaneous.	Per Picul.
Wood Oil	\$30.00
Tea Seed Oil	31.00
Red Melon Seeds	27.50
Yellow Beans	6.80

THE CARVED IVORY MARKET.

TRADE DULL AND BIG STOCKS IN HONG KONG.

The Chinese are extremely skillful carvers and their ivory work is known the world over. This industry is mostly carried on in Canton and much of the output is sent here for transshipment to Europe and America. The volume of business done in a year used to amount to about two million dollars, of which about 80 per cent. was for America and 20 per cent. for Europe. But during the last two years there has been a big decline and business has been reduced to an insignificant figure. This was owing to the competition of Japanese ivory but their work is inferior to that of the Chinese. The fact that in their favour, however, is cheapness and they have captured a large portion of the America market. The local market is very dull at present and many of the Chinese dealers have suffered great loss. Stocks in the Colony are very heavy because exporters are unable to ship them abroad in face of Japanese competition. Ivory is divided into two main grades—large tusk and small tusk. The present market quotation for large tusk ivory is \$1,000 per picul and \$600 per picul for small tusk.

MATTING TRADE IN HONG KONG.

Chinese grass matting is also known the world over. This industry is mostly carried on in Lintan, Tungkuon and Cochin China where the raw material is obtained. Matting is imported into the Colony for transshipment and the business is an important export. The total volume of business done in a year amounts to nearly one million dollars, of which about half is with America while the remainder is sent to Singapore and other British ports. Raw materials are scarce at present owing to the drought and prices have advanced. The Lintan products are the best and fetch the highest price while those from Tungkuon and Cochin China are of a far inferior quality. Business in this line at present is very dull.

CANTON COTTON YARN MARKET.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

CANTON, JANUARY 8th.	Per Bale.
No. 10 Sailing Vessel	2550
City of Gold	273
Lotus Bee	249
Pearl	231
No. 10 Fui Kwai	277
City of Gold	285
Po Yue	278
Victory	275
No. 20 Good Harvest	314
Man Clock	315
Globe	320
City of Gold	324
Shepherd	303
No. 16 Fui Kwai	294
Globe	296
No. 32 Pine Deer	478
Double Horse	456
Po Tap	408
Tin Koon	474
No. 42 Fui Hee	520
Five Sons	556
Butterfly	524
No. 6 Lion	208
Lon No. 2	206

CANTON STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

CANTON, JANUARY 8th.	Per Share.
Water Works	\$3.50
Electric Power Co.	5.10
Canton-Hankow Railways	0.51
The Sun Co.	6.80
Sincere Co.	9.65
Nanyang Bros. Tob. Co.	4.60
Canton Tramways	2.38
China Merchants S.S. Nav. Co.	6.70
Central Bank	4.60

CANTON MARKET REPORTS.

Quotations at Tuesday's market for rice, sugar, flour and oil were as follows:—

Rice.	Per Picul.
Green Seal White	10.75
Red Seal Anna White	10.45
Red B. Old White	10.45
Red Pearl White	10.90
Three Marks	9.38
Red Lion	8.80
Red O Tau	8.85
Green Bar	8.85
Green Ship	8.75
Three Stars	8.84
Chai Mee Best	11.15
Pak Yuk White	11.00
Burning Sun	9.00
Sugar.	Per Picul.
No. 2 Coarse powdered	8.40
No. 3 Coarse powdered	7.90
No. 20 Coarse powdered	8.00
No. 1 Granulated	10.50
No. 1 Fine Granulated	10.80
Waichow White	8.80
Spring candy	10.20
Flour.	Per Bag.
Man-of-War	\$4.05
Silver Seal	4.15
Banana	4.07
Cheung Luk	4.15
Maize	4.25
Dog's Head	4.50
Sword of Kwantai	4.50
Cannon	4.40
Cabbage	4.50
Dalton	4.50
Oil.	Per Picul.
Ground Nut Oil	Tails.
Fangchi	23.70
Honap	25.00
Tientsin	26.00
Dairen	27.00
Kwangsi Wood	28.40
Kwangsi teaseed	20.60

DECEMBER RUBBER OUTPUT.

Messrs. J. A. Wattie & Co., Ltd. secretaries of the undermentioned estates, report that the output of rubber from the estates during December was as follows:

Output of Rubber.	Piculs.
Anglo-Dutch	115,100
Anglo-Java	24,000
Java Consolidated	84,100
Kroewok	77,000
Ziange	113,800
Output of Coffee.	Piculs.
Kali Glidik Coffee Estates, Limited	193
Shanghai Sumatra	56,710
Langkat	95,860

NEW YORK STOCK QUOTATIONS.

The following quotations, current in New York on January 8, have been received in Shanghai by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson & Co., who assume no responsibility for cable mutilations.

Business done, 5,498,800 shares.	Previous Price.	Latest Price.
Allied Chem. & Dye (Com.)	250	255
American Can (Com.)	110 1/2	112 1/2
American Smelting	202	202
American Tel. & Tel. (Com.)	193	195
American Tobacco "B"	177 1/2	178 1/2
Armour & Co. "A"	174	171
Armour & Co. (Ill) 7% Pfd.	83 1/2	83 1/2
Amoco Copper	114 1/2	114 1/2
Bank of Montreal	89 1/2	89 1/2
Barnardell Corp. "A"	42 1/2	43 1/2
Bethlehem Steel (Com.)	87 1/2	88
Bethlehem Steel, 7% Pfd.	124	124 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan Transit	70 1/2	72 1/2
Calumet & Hecla	47	47 1/2
Camp Corp.	100	100
Canadian Pacific Railway	238	243 1/2
Cavanagh Dobbs	33	33
Chile Copper	73 1/2	75 1/2
Chrysler	132 1/2	138 1/2
Consolidated Gas of N.Y.	105 1/2	108 1/2
Coty Incorporated	14 1/2	15 1/2
Davison Chemical	59 1/2	63
De Pont de N.E.L. (Com.)	500	504
Eastman Kodak	183	182 1/2
Fox Film "A"	98 1/2	96 1/2
General Cigar	54 1/2	54 1/2
General Electric Co.	221 1/2	220
General Motors	133 1/2	132 1/2
General Bly. Signal (Com.)	102 1/2	102 1/2
Gold Dust	142 1/2	146
Granby Consolidated	90	91
Hayart	49	48
International Cement (Com.)	63 1/2	64 1/2
International Cement (Com.)	63 1/2	64 1/2
International Match, Pfd.	95	95 1/2
International Nickel (Com.)	48	45 1/2
International Printers Ink	60	60 1/2
Inter. Prod. Corp. (Com.)	13	13
Kelvinator	17	16 1/2
Kennecott Copper	156	158
Lake Superior Corp.	154	164
Liggett & Myers, Class "B"	90 1/2	92 1/2
Lorillard Co. (Com.)	98	95 1/2
Mac Trucks	102 1/2	111 1/2
Madison Square Garden	22 1/2	21
Maytag Co.	23 1/2	23 1/2
Missouri Pacific (Com.)	66	67 1/2
National Dairy Products	177 1/2	178 1/2
Packard Motor Car (Com.)	149 1/2	151 1/2
Pennsylvania Railroad	79 1/2	79 1/2
Phillips Petroleum	45	46 1/2
Radio Corporation	274 1/2	284 1/2
Reynolds Tobacco, "B"	155	157 1/2
Standard Gas & Elec. (Com.)	84 1/2	87 1/2
Standard Oil of California	72	71 1/2
Standard Oil of Indiana	94 1/2	91 1/2
Standard Oil of New Jersey	55	54 1/2
Standard Oil of New York	45 1/2	44 1/2
Texas Corporation (Com.)	67	67 1/2
Texas Gulf Sulphur	79 1/2	81
Timken Roller Bearing	143 1/2	145 1/2
Union Carbide	127	126 1/2
Union Pacific R.R. (Com.)	215 1/2	218 1/2
U.S. Inter. Security Pfd.	100	100
U.S. Leather	60	59 1/2
U.S. Realty & Imp. Co.	84 1/2	84 1/2
U.S. Rubber (Com.)	40 1/2	41 1/2
U.S. Steel	101 1/2	102 1/2
Vanadium Corp.	101 1/2	102 1/2
Westinghouse Elec. (Com.)	138	142
Willys Overland Co.	33	34
Wright Aeronautical	273	270

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

JANUARY 9th, 1929.	Per Share.
B.K. Banks	\$1,340 buy.
Do.	London \$1,471 nom.
Chartered Banks, A. & S.	\$234 nom.
Merchants Bank, A. & S.	\$214 buy.
Do.	C. \$214 nom.
P. & O. Banks	\$294 nom.
East Asia Bank	\$386 buy.
Canton Insurance	\$674 buy.
Union Insurance	\$386 buy.
North China Ins.	Tls. 180 buy.
Yangtze Insurance	M. \$30 nom.
China Underwriters	\$240 sel.
China Fire Insurance	\$780 buy.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	\$780 nom.
Douglas	\$384 nom.
H.K. Steamboats	\$324 buy, 29 1/2 sel.
H.K. Tugs	\$140 sel.
Indo-China (Prof.)	\$348 buy.
Do (Def.)	\$348 buy.
Shell Transport	\$116 nom.
Union Waterworks	\$304 buy.
Benguet	\$240 buy.
Kailash Mining Admin.	70/70 sel.
Langkai (combined)	Tls. 10,60 sa.
Do (single)	Tls. 54 nom.
S'hai Explorations	Tls. 2,90 sa.
Shanghai Loans	Tls. 3 buy.
Ranby	\$54 buy.
Tromps Mine	17/4 nom.
B.K. & K. Wharves	\$124 nom.
B.K. & W. Docks	\$140 buy.
China Provident	\$120 buy.
Hongkong	Tls. 162 buy.
New Engineering	Tls. 103 nom.
Shanghai Docks	Tls. 103 nom.
Evo Cottons	Tls. 13,20 buy.
Oriental Cottons	Tls. 24 sel.
S'hai Cottons (old)	Tls. 54 buy.
H.K. & S. Hotels	\$93 buy, 84 1/2 sa.
H.K. Lands	\$64 buy.
Shanghai Lands	Tls. 165 buy.
Humphreys Estates	\$14.80 buy.
H.K. Realities	\$124 nom.
H.K. Tramways	\$204 buy, 20.80 sa.
Peak Trans (old)	\$13 sel.
Do (new)	\$3.30 nom.
Star Ferris	\$73 buy.
China Lights	\$124 buy.
H.K. Electric (old)	\$124 buy, 62 1/2 sel.
Do (new)	\$511 buy.
Macao Electric	\$364 buy.
Telephones (old)	\$7 buy.
Do (new)	\$6.80 buy.
China Buses	Tls. 11 1/2 buy.
Singapore Tractors	18/18 nom.
Do (Prof.)	12/12 sel.
Sundakan Lights	\$3 nom.
China Sugars	\$80 cie. nom.
Malayan Sugars	\$234 buy.
Canton Ice	\$34 nom.
Cementa (combined)	\$10.20 buy, 10.30/35 sa.
Do (old)	\$7.50 nom.
Do (new)	\$14 buy.
H.K. Paper (old)	\$7.50 nom.
Do (new)	\$7.55 sel.
United Asbestos	\$35 nom.
Dairy Farms	\$214 buy.
Watsons	\$18.30 nom.
Der A Wings	\$30 cie. buy.
Lane Crawford	\$3.05 nom.
Mackintosh	\$20 nom.
Sinocera	\$34 buy.
Wm. Powell	\$3.65 nom.
H.K. Amusements	\$34 sel.
H.K. Constructions	\$14 nom.
B'que Indus. G.S. Bonds	68 1/2 buy.
H.K. Govt. Loans	6% prev. sel.
buy—buyers; sel.—sellers; sa.—sales; nom.—nominal.	

CHATER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

\$43,700 RECEIVED TO DATE.

The Secretary of the Chater Committee has forwarded the following complete list to date of subscriptions to the Chater Memorial Scholarships Fund, the total amounting to \$43,700. The purpose of this Fund is to establish, in memory of the late Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., scholarships at Hong Kong University, open to competition, without distinction of sex or race, by the children of parents domiciled in Hong Kong, provided that such parents are unable, without the aid of a scholarship, to send their children to the University.

As the subscription list will shortly be closed, those who desire to contribute are asked to send their cheques as soon as possible to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. C. I. Cooke, c/o the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

List of Donations.

The following is the list of subscriptions:—

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Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.	2,000
Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd.	2,000
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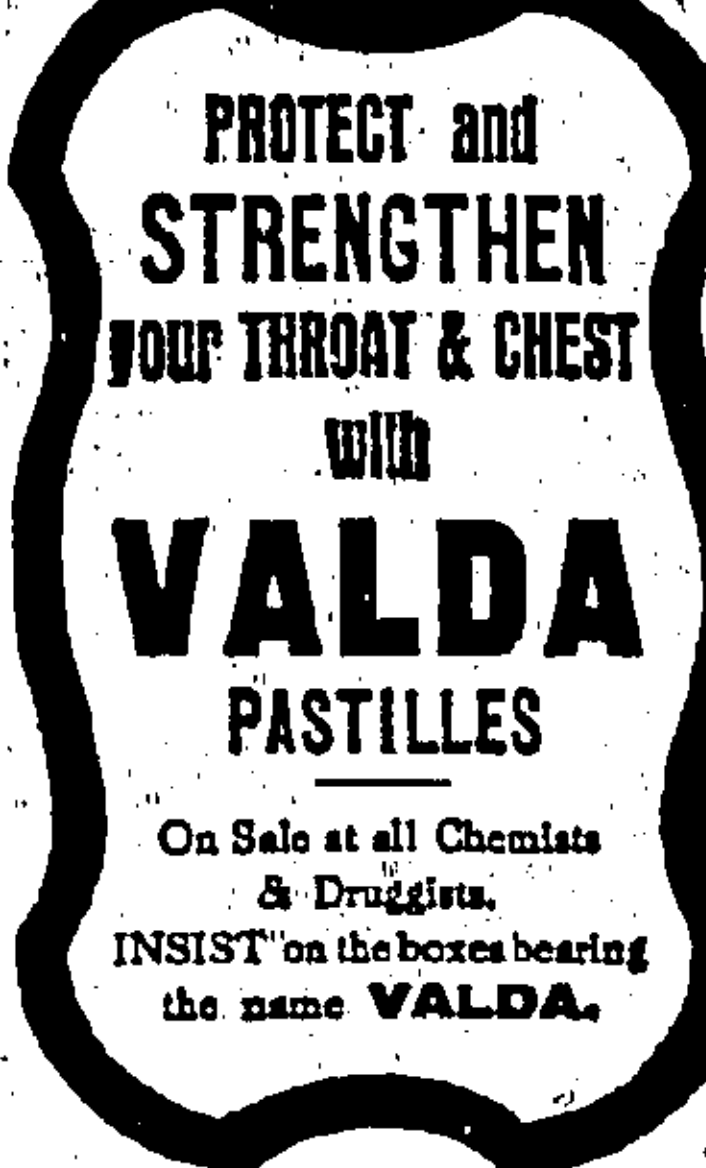
"From three months old to six months my baby was a pitiful little object due to eczema. It appeared on his head and face in a rash. His skin was inflamed and itched and burned so that I could not keep his hands down. The condition gradually grew worse, and when I bathed him he would scream with pain. I had to make a cap for his head and put gloves on his hands. He could not sleep night or day and his face was a sight."

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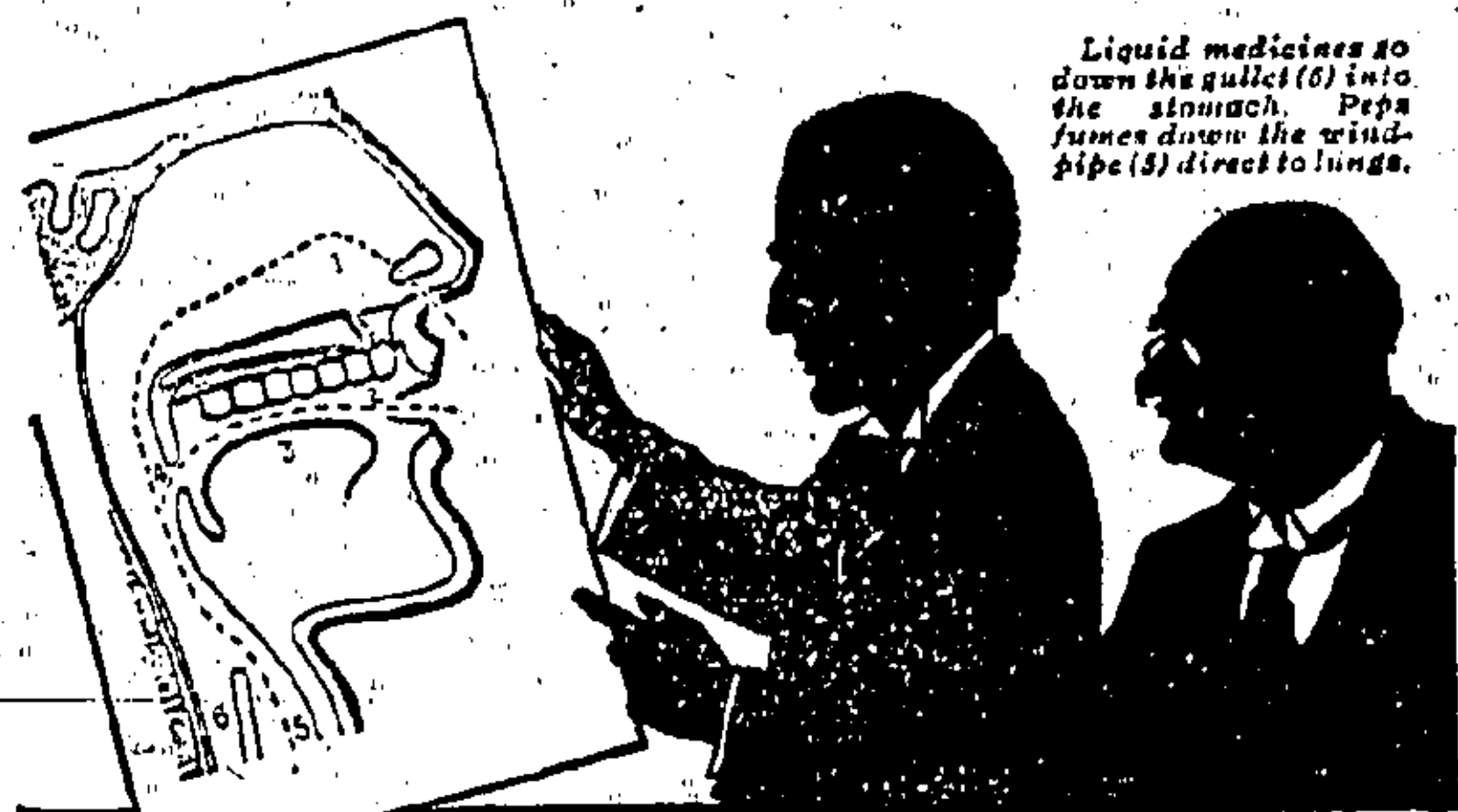
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Strict Middling	21.78	48.15
Middling	21.38	47.30
Strict Low Middling	20.43	45.30
Low Middling	19.88	43.85

"CANDIDA."

MACDONA PLAYERS' FINE PRESENTATION.

Perhaps no greater tribute could be paid to Miss Joan Hopegood's presentation of the title part of Shaw's "Candida" at the Theatre Royal last night than to say that she reminded one of Sybil Thorne-dyke.

With the memory fresh in my mind of the early performance of the play at the Kingsway Theatre in London, I was keenly interested in the Macdonna Players' presentation. Despite obvious handicaps in the matter of scenery and general settings, the talented company are to be congratulated upon having given a remarkably artistic rendition of the play in a manner quite up to the standard of London productions.

Artistic "Exaggerations."

"G.B.S." makes strenuous demands upon powers of interpretation and is able to counteract any seeming excess of farce by casual interjections of common place remarks. Kenneth O'Brien as Eugene Marchbanks, the neurotic and poetical son of a wealthy peer, handled a difficult part with marked success. His egotistical and passionate declarations of love for Candida (Joan Hopegood), the young wife of the Rev. James Mavor Morell (Stanley Drewitt), were quite in accordance with the spirit of the plot and ably interpreted Shaw's intended "tilt" at that section of modern youth—fortunately, a very small section—who spend their days looking for "soul-mates"—always among the opposite sex, of course!

Marchbanks not only caused the worthy Vicar to doubt his own soul, but left him tortured with doubts as to whether he could really hold Candida's love. Thus we saw a contest between a man lost in the mists of Socialism and Theology and a Youth whose soul dwelt in a poetic world apart from his fellows.

Solving A Problem.

The problem as to which would win the love and esteem of Candida was solved in a remarkably matter-of-fact manner by the young lady herself who proved that the physically and mentally stronger of the two was yet the weakest, and most needed her protection.

The poet, she decided, had always continued to exist without the desired "soul-mate" and was therefore more able to survive without her protection than that other "spoilt boy," her husband.

Stanley Drewitt's brilliant performance was closely seconded by A. S. Homewood who caused many a laugh as Mr. Burgess, a building contractor and the father of Candida.

Joan Blair, as Miss Prosperine Garnett, the prudish secretary of the Vicar, was exceedingly funny and she deserved the enthusiastic applause awarded her performance. Frederick Kien also portrayed the Rev. Alexander Mill (the curate) with success.

TEMPLE RUINS IN CENTRAL ASIA.

FINDS BY GERMAN ARCHEOLOGIST.

ANCIENT GREEK-BUDDHIST CULTURE.

Berlin, December 13th (U.P.).—After severe hardships and perilous journeys, Dr. Emil Trinkler, has returned from his year-and-a-half's travels in Central Asia. At a reception given in his honour in Bremen, Dr. Trinkler described the valuable findings which his expedition made in the fields of history, science and art.

The journey started from Cashmir at the foot of the Himalayas. During 13 months, the German explorers pushed their way across mountain-passes, all at an altitude of 17,000 feet or more. Using caravans, they traversed vast desert expanses.

The most important scientific findings were made in the Takla-Makan desert, where the Germans remained for four months, digging out ancient villages which had been buried during sandstorms. These excavations revealed temple ruins, valuable works of sculpture and amorettes, mostly characteristic of the era of Greek-Buddhist culture. This civilization arose between 3000 B.C. and 1000 A.D. and was swept into Central Asia from North-western India.

The Germans brought with them significant relics of the eighth century, notably manuscripts, textiles and paintings. During their geological researches, they ascertained that huge glaciers had descended upon and covered Central Asia in pre-historic ages.

Relics of the expedition will be presented to the Bremen municipal museum.

Dr. Trinkler, on his return, spoke highly of the assistance rendered him and his companions by the British authorities in India. He complained bitterly, however, regarding the attitude of Chinese officials who he said, had placed many difficulties in the expedition's path and attempted to prevent removal of the relics. Dr. Trinkler said that the Chinese difficulties were surmounted only after the German legation in Peking had intervened.

contractor and the father of Candida.

Joan Blair, as Miss Prosperine Garnett, the prudish secretary of the Vicar, was exceedingly funny and she deserved the enthusiastic applause awarded her performance. Frederick Kien also portrayed the Rev. Alexander Mill (the curate) with success.

ELECTION WAGERS COMEDY.

\$100,000 AND TWO HATS.

LADY HOUSTON'S CHALLENGE.

The Home Secretary now stands to lose two hats if the Conservatives fail to win the general election. This was his reply to Lord Rothermere's offer to translate the original wager of a hat into a money bet of \$100 to \$10—an offer which led Lady Houston to offer Lord Rothermere "The same bet in thousands," which means \$100,000 to \$10,000 (or possibly \$10,000 to \$1,000 if "the same bet" merely indicates the odds).

The challenge arises out of the statement of the Home Secretary to the Ladies' Imperial Club that if the Conservative party lost the election he would lose a new hat to Lord Rothermere. "But," Sir William, added, "such is my confidence in the Conservative party that I am prepared to double the bet." As soon as reports of the Home Secretary's speech were published, Lord Rothermere suggested to him that the bet should be in money instead of hats, and offered \$100 to \$10 that the Conservatives would not obtain a majority at the general election.

Lady Houston threw out her challenge to Lord Rothermere in the following communication to the press: "Having read that Lord Rothermere has offered to bet the Home Secretary \$100 to \$10 that the Conservatives do not get a majority at the next general election, I am willing to make the same bet with Lady Houston in thousands."

Lord Rothermere then sent the following telegram to the Home Secretary: "Regarding your offer to double your bet with me on a hat that the Conservatives win the next general election, suppose we make it money instead of hats and that you accept a bet from me of \$100 to \$10 that the Conservatives do not have a majority as a result of the general election next year. Sir W. Joynson-Hicks replied: "Many thanks for your sporting offer but I do not make money bets. But to show that I am an equal sportsman with yourself I will bet you two hats that we will beat you and MacDonald and Lloyd George put together."

Lord Rothermere's Reply. "Lord Rothermere" (says a statement issued on his behalf last night regarding Lady Houston's challenge) "has not the pleasure of the acquaintance of Lady Houston, and he never makes bets with strangers. He is not making any more bets on the election."

THE WOMAN'S CORNER.

THE STEPMOTHER.

It is surely one of the most difficult and delicate tasks in the world that a woman can be asked to undertake—that of succeeding to another woman's throne, in the vacant kingdom of her home, and making a success of her reign.

The stepmother often begins her career in an atmosphere of suspicion and prejudice. Her new family are enviously watching her every action, her new husband—however loyal and devoted he may be—must inevitably be making comparisons in his own mind. Even the servants are summing her up and judging. As in the case of the mother-in-law, the stepmother is suffering from centuries of misrepresentation. As soon as it can read she is held up to every child as an object of ridicule—always unkind and sometimes cruel. In many fairy stories, where she is supposed to have children of her own, she is always represented as tyrannising over her husband's beautiful daughters, and favouring her own ugly ones—as in the story of Cinderella. Small wonder, then, that children who have had the misfortune to lose their own mother are not prepared to welcome a substitute for her with open arms.

Still, the difficult task can be, and often is, carried through successfully. Given tact, a good heart, and a capability to see other people's point of view, it is possible for a second wife to make a very happy home.

"Advance slowly" is a very good motto to take. Every alteration she is tempted to make should be well thought over, and very deliberately carried through. The confidence of her new family cannot be forced—it must be earned, like their affection. It is better, if her age allows it to begin by being "elder sisterly" rather than motherly.

FASCINATING SLEEVES



Broche velvet makes this evening wrap which has a collar of white stranded velvet. The new elbow sleeves are very decorative.

LUXURIOUS WINTER COAT.

A new afternoon coat, fashioned in black velvet and trimmed with blue fox fur, shown at a recent winter dress show, will be coveted by many women. Cut on long, straight lines, the coat is trimmed with lines of black cire braid, arranged in a scroll pattern. The fur appears on the hem and cuffs, and makes a new collar line, being swathed tightly round the neck and fastened by a large, decorative brooch.

GERMANY'S POLICE WOMEN.

AN IMPORTANT TITLE.

Prussia's new budget foresees the employment of 150 feminine police officials, ranging from expert criminologists to police constables. Three of the women in Prussia's police force bear the ominous German title of "Polizeigefängnis-schauptwachmeisterinnen." This title must be used by subordinates in addressing the three women-officials—a rule, which critics assert, is an incentive to insubordination. The tongue-twisting title means "chief guard of the police jail."

An additional 48 women among the Prussian police will have their ponderous dignity enhanced by being known as "Polizeigefängnis-schauptwachmeisterinnen," which denotes a similar but slightly less authoritative position in the police force.

In Germany, observance of titles is an iron-clad custom and there is none of the camaraderie, prevalent among American police, which permits a subordinate to address his superior as "Hey, chief."

The *Frankfurter Zeitung*, while welcoming the increased employment of women in the police establishment, expresses regret that these ladies should be clothed with such unbecoming titles.

THE NEW JEWELLERY.

Afternoon and evening jewels are perfectly charming. Even the simulated stones and their settings are designed with so much care that they are often distinctly expensive; but it is possible to find necklaces, bracelets, and brooches of carved glass which are very effective and make a delightful finish to a simple frock.

It is also comforting to those of us who were never completely infatuated by artificial pearls to find that the exquisite semi-precious stones are being respected as they deserve.

Semi-Precious Stones. Jade has never been completely ignored; but the rosy tourmaline, the misty blue chalcodony, aquamarine in all its blue and sea-green tones, chrysoprase, malachite and rose quartz, have been neglected shamefully by the majority of jewellers, though perhaps it would be more accurate to say—by the people who buy their jewels.

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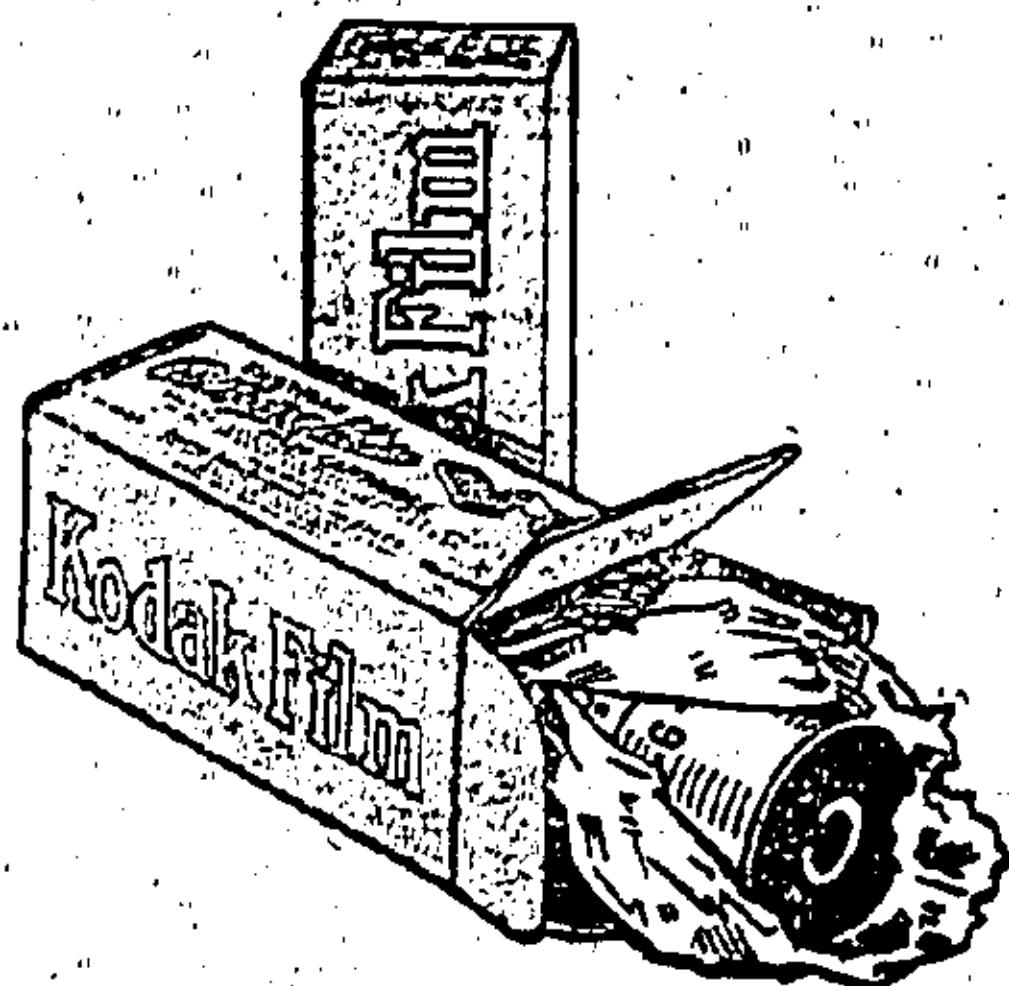
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HALF-A-MILLION NEW STARS.

REVEALED BY NEW TELESCOPE.

THE LARGEST IN THE WORLD.

Sir Frank Dyson, the Astronomer-Royal, is interested in the new telescope to be erected near Mount Wilson, California. Astronomers anticipate that the instrument will bring 500,000 new stars within range of their cameras. The power of the giant telescope is said to be about ten times greater than that of the world's present largest telescope—the Hooker telescope.

The new instrument will have a reflector of 200 inches in diameter. The advice of experts all over the world has been placed at the disposal of my friend, Dr. George Ellery Hale, a former director of the Mount Wilson Observatory, who is chairman of the council which will direct the work of erecting the telescope," said Sir Frank Dyson to a London Evening Standard representative.

Thirty Tons Of Quartz. "Some idea of what may be expected of the new telescope may be grasped from the fact that with the Hooker telescope Mr. Hubble, the astronomer, was able to ascertain that the Nebula of Andromeda, the light of which takes 1,000,000 years to reach the earth, was a system of stars, similar in many ways to the Milky Way—in fact, another island universe. He was able to measure the diameter of certain stars that were previously out of range.

This will be the first attempt to use fused quartz in making telescope reflectors. The use of quartz is a great advantage, because it is unaffected by changes of temperature such as effect the usefulness of glass and other materials. It will be necessary to use a block of fused quartz weighing 30 tons.

Dr. W. H. Steavenson, the astronomer, in an interview said, "It will take many years to obtain the piece of quartz required. A piece only one foot in diameter is all that has been obtained so far. Light from the most distant nebulae that can be seen with the Hooker telescope takes 142,000,000 years to reach the earth. The new telescope will enable us to penetrate still further into space."

The International Education Board, founded by Mr. John D. Rockefeller, jun., which is providing the funds for the erection of the new telescope, recently offered \$700,000 to Cambridge University for the University Library and for development in agriculture, biology and physics.

YOUNG GIRL'S DEATH.

MISS H. M. SILVA.

At 8 o'clock yesterday morning the death occurred at No. 18, Grantville Road, Kowloon, of Hilda Maria Silva, aged 13, the eldest daughter of Mr. Carlos Silva, of the Hong Kong Electric Company. It is understood that the deceased was suffering from diphtheria.

The funeral took place in the afternoon in the presence of relatives and a large number of friends at the Roman Catholic Cemetery. In addition to the family wreaths, there were many floral tributes from sympathisers.

KIDNAPPED GIRL STABS BRIGAND.

21 COMPANIONS IN BANDIT HANDS.

Mexico, December 16th.—One of the twenty-two girls who were kidnapped from the town of Jicotepec, in the State of Jalisco, last week, has been found hiding among undergrowth by a party searching the foothills of Mount Colima. She had received a number of knife wounds.

The bandits descended on Jicotepec with dynamite bombs and trapped practically the whole population in a cinema hall.

Thrown Across A Horse.

The girl states that she was carried away by the leader of the bandits, being thrown across his horse. When the party had ridden some miles the leader called a halt to which some of the men objected, and the dispute reached a point where revolvers were drawn.

She felt the hilt of a knife in the chief's belt, snatched it and stabbed him in the back. He fell, and she started to gallop off while the other bandits hurled knives at her. One buried itself in the horse, which bolted. The girl rode on until she fell from exhaustion.

Fifty different parties are searching the district, but beyond finding the horse on which the girl escaped scarcely any trace has been found of the kidnappers.

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

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As an experiment, the wavelength of G.O.W. will from to-day be 350 metres instead of 300 metres. 1.48 p.m.—Weather Report. 3.30-4.30 p.m.—Demonstration Programme. 7.48 p.m.—Evening Weather Report.

8.10 p.m.—Evening Programme (Columbia Records).

"Utopia, Ltd."—Selection. Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.

"The Trumpeter" Robert Howe, Baritone.

"On The Road to Mandalay" Milton Hayes, Entertainer.

"My Boy's Career" "Didn't I Tell You?" "Can't help Lovin' Dat Man" Aunt Jemima, Contralto.

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" (Mendelssohn) New Queen's Hall Orch.

"Our Lizzie Listens In" "Our Lizzie Gets a Gramophone" Helena Millais, Entertainer.

"Wine, Women and Song" (Strauss) "Hungaria" Zygfryd and his Gipsy Orch.

"I Love the Moon" "Two Eyes of Grey" Squire Octet.

"Johnny came down to Hilo" "The Hog's eye man" "We're all bound to go" Raymond Newell with chorus.

Introduction and Polonaise—"Mignon"..... Squire Octet.

"I'm 94 to-day" "I belong to Glasgow" Will Fyfe, Scottish Comedian.

Selections from "Tannhauser" Royal Guards Band.

"Two Black Crows" Moran and Mack in further adventures.

"Sir Harry Lauder Medley" Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.

"The Druid's Prayer" Valse Septembre Court Symphony Orchestra.

"The Parson and the Collection" Monologue, Vivian Foster.

"Passing By" "The Long Day Closes" The Salisbury Singers.

Fantasia in G Minor (Bach) Organ Solo, Edouard Commette.

"How's That?" A Miniature Revue in two acts Emmy Joyce Billy Leonard Mark Daly and Company.

Orchestra conducted by Stanley Holt.

10.10 p.m.—News Bulletin.

An Old Time Music Hall. Chairman—Chance Newton The Variety Singers and Charlie Coburn.

"Daisy Daisy" (Katie Lawrence) "She was one of the early Birds" (George Beauchamp) "Daddy wouldn't buy me a Bow-Wow" (Vesta Victoria).

"A Great Big Shame" (Gus Elen) "Down the Road" (Gus Elen) "Away went Polly" (Gus Elen).

"The Man who broke the bank at Monte Carlo" (Charles Coburn) "Little Dolly Day Dream" (Eugene Stratton).

"Two Lovely Black Eyes" (Charles Coburn) "Beer, Beer, Glorious Beer" (Harry Andersen).

"Ask a policeman" (Jimmy Fawn) "A: Trinity Church" (Tom Costello).

"Seventh Royal Fusiliers" (Charles Godfrey). God Save The King.

10.30 p.m.—Close down.

PROMOTIONS IN ROYAL NAVY.

NEW YEAR LIST.

The following promotions in the Royal Navy have been made to date December 31st last.

Commander to Captain.—G. R. S. Watkins, D.S.O., F. R. Barry, F. O. Champness, H. H. Harwood, O.B.E., R. M. Welby, J. W. Clayton, E. de F. Renouf, A. Poland, D.S.O., C. G. Stuart, D.S.O., D.S.C., P. K. Kekewich.

Lieutenant Commander to Commander.—D. N. C. Tinnell, D.S.C., E. V. Jeffreys, E. M. C. Barclough, J. W. L. Frewen-Latton, D.S.O., A. C. Allen, E. M. Servaes, F. W. H. Joana, N. L. Veresmith, L. H. Ashmore, A. R. M. Bridge, L. C. P. Tudway, D.S.O., D.S.C., R. O. Fitzroy, J. M. Howson, J. G. L. Dundas, the Hon. O. W. Cornwallis, O.B.E., J. G. Leach, M.V.O., E. V. Lees, E. G. H. Bellars, G. E. Colpoys, J. C. L. Bittleston, D.S.C., L. C. A. St. J. Curzon-Howe, E. G. N.

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"THE WAY OF ALL FLESH."

AN EPIC OF "FACE PIDGIN" AT THE QUEEN'S.

EMIL JANNINGS IN A GERMAN TRAGEDY.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

If you are an admirer of the sorrowfully sentimental compositions of certain German authors and musicians go to the Queen's and see "The Way of All Flesh." If you love to weep, go to the Queen's and you will probably return the next day to weep again.

Emil Jannings, the famous German film star and director, has in "The Way of All Flesh," a picture in which he is allied to give full play to his national feelings. By that I do not mean that it is in any way a propagandist film but that it is, despite the setting of America, typically German in every respect.

The story is an epic of "Face-Pidgin." August Schiller is in his early middle age as respected by his family and his employers as he is by himself. He is the model of uprightness and expects every one else to be the same, in fact he is twin brother to the worthy plati-tudinous father of the "Swiss Family Robinson." The father of a large family of small children he rouses them out of bed in the morning, personally inspects behind their ears, reads the Bible to them, and gathers them around him for the family concert in the evening.

Then August Schiller is sent to Chicago by the manager of the bank where he works, being entrusted with a packet of valuable bonds to sell in that city. On the way he falls in with Mayme (Phyllis Hower), who tells him how young, handsome and clever he is, persuades him to shave off his beard, introduces him to the beer gardens of Chicago, and finally robs him of his bonds—and his self-esteem.

Rather than loose face among those whose respect he values by owning up, although of course he puts it on the level of not disgracing his family, Schiller prepares to commit suicide. Then he sees a newspaper account, to the effect that his body, unidentifiable except by the personal contents of the pockets has been found, and that he has died the death of a hero in defending the money entrusted to him. Once more "face-pidgin" forbids him to disturb the "hero's" grave, and we follow him for the rest of the picture getting older, shabbier, and more sentimental, until the final scene when he looks in the window of his old home, sees his family, now grown up, gathered round the festive board on Christmas evening, and shuffles off into the night.

Audiences And Borrowers Of The Unattractive.

Mr. Jannings acts well and his "make up" of his face and his whole physical appearance is a triumph. But it is always a question if, with the exception of a few people, audiences are really interested in this type of "sob-stuff." It may be very wrong and inartistic, but most of us can follow the sufferings of a handsome young man or a charming young lady with real sympathy, while those of a dirty old man, whose sorrows are after all caused by his former self righteousness, are inclined to leave us cold.

The rest of the cast is good although they only have small parts to play, and the opening sequences of the family life of the Schillers are interesting because of the real picture they give of a German home in pre-war days.

Rushbrooke, D.S.C., R. S. G. Nicholson, D.S.C., G. M. K. Keble-White, A. Bowman.

Engineer Commander to Engineer Captain.—P. J. B. Huxham, H. B. Sears, D.S.O., J. P. Foster, C. E. Sutton, M.V.O., F. S. Carlisle.

Lieutenant Commander (E) to Commander (E)—R. A. Fletcher, W. G. Cowland, C. G. Procter, H. S. Broom.

Engineer Lieutenant Commander to Engineer Commander.—W. J. Cole, A. G. Baker, F. Foster, G. Ellis.

Surgeon Commander to Surgeon Captain.—N. S. Meiklejohn, D.S.O.

Paymaster Commander to Paymaster Captain.—H. P. W. G. Murray, D.S.O., L. Blackler, O.B.E., R. Butcher, C.M.G.

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INDIAN CONSTABLE CHARGED.

ALLEGED CHEATING OF FELLOW COUNTRYMEN.

CHASED ALL OVER KOWLOON.

An Indian constable, No. 555, stationed at the Water Police Station, was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy with larceny of \$25.00 the property of a private in the Punjab Regiment. Mr. L. H. C. Calthrop, A.S.P., Kowloon, prosecuted.

Outlining the facts of the case, Mr. Calthrop said that two sepoys from the Punjab Regiment met the defendant at Haiphong Road at about 3 p.m. on Monday last. The defendant, who was off duty at the time, asked them what they intended doing, and they replied that they were going to buy some clothing. The defendant said that as a policeman he could get things much cheaper than shop price. They handed him \$25.00 and the defendant walked into a tailor's shop. He walked right through the premises and into the alleyway at the back.

The complainant and his friend happened to see the defendant in the alleyway through another shop and immediately became suspicious. They went along Haiphong Road into Nathan Road and chased the defendant, who ran down Nathan Road into Peking Road, and then along Hankow Road. He turned along Middle Road and was overtaken in Nathan Road. The defendant suggested that they should go to the Police Station and the party then proceeded along Salisbury Road, but instead of heading for the Station, the defendant took them along Hankow Road. Near the Star Theatre, there was a scene, and an Indian Sergeant appeared on the scene and the men were taken to the Police Station.

There the defendant handed the money over to the officer on duty. The Magistrate adjourned the case until this morning intimating that an officer from the Punjab Regiment should be present in Court.

OWNERSHIP OF A PIG DECIDED.

RESULT OF AN "IDENTIFICATION PARADE."

The dispute between two villagers of Kowloon Tong over the ownership of a sow was decided at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when Mr. E. W. Hamilton, found that the complainant was the real owner, after an "identification parade" had been held.

At the first hearing, the complainant had stated in evidence that his pig had a white mark on its forehead. This statement was corroborated by two witnesses.

At the Magistrate's suggestion, Inspector Hoare carried out an identification parade, and gathered together 34 pigs, of which 25 had a white spot on their foreheads. The complainant and his two witnesses picked out the sow without hesitation. The defendant also picked out the sow, but his wife failed to do so. The defendant's father picked out the sow after some hesitation.

The Magistrate remarked that he supposed the pig was fairly well known as it was in the Court compound on the day of the first hearing. Mr. C. E. L. Grist, who appeared on behalf of the defendant said that he had no case to answer. The sow was just as likely to be the property of the defendant as the complainant. The novel test carried out by the police went, he thought, in favour of his client.

Commenting on the identification parade, his Worship, said that both sides seemed to have done fairly well, but he had noticed one thing. Whereas the pig had been in the defendant's possession since January 1st, it had not, according to the defendant, been in the complainant's possession at all. He could not see how the complainant could have identified the pig unless it had been his property.

The complainant had produced two witnesses, but the only evidence for the defendant was that his father knew that a pig was sent down from Swatow and that he saw it before it left that port. The father had identified the pig, but after some hesitation.

The Magistrate also remarked that there were eight young pigs at the complainant's house and nothing else. In his Worship's opinion, a man did not keep young pigs without keeping a sow.

He was convinced that the pig belonged to the complainant, but he was inclined to think that the pig had strayed and the defendant yielded to the temptation of keeping it as he owned other pigs.

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FLOODS IN MALAYA.

AUXILIARY SERVICE ON THE RAILWAY.

Kuala Lumpur, January 2nd.—There was heavy rain in Kuala Lumpur and the Ulu last night as a result of which the river rose several feet. The flood warning was sounded, but the water subsided fairly quickly.

The Karak-Mentakab Road, which was flooded in places, has now been repaired and is open to traffic.

The Railway department reports that the floods in Pahang have subsided a great deal although the damage to the line will not enable normal service to be resumed immediately. An auxiliary service between Gemas and Kuala Lipis was started to-day. The river is down considerably at Kuala Lipis and for the time being all danger is over, and the services should be resumed as soon as the track has been investigated. The lines are almost clear of water except in a few places. The F.M.S. Railways cannot guarantee to make connections with the local services and the main line services from Kuala Lipis and Gemas. Effort is being made where possible to connect stations, but it is doubtful whether this can be done in some places. A slight accident occurred between Kuala Lipis and Padang Tunku when a ballast engine left the line and came to rest on the loosened embankment. No serious injuries were caused either to the driver or the fireman.

Serious Washaway.

Ipo, January 3rd.—A rather alarming washaway occurred on the busy Ipo-Batu Gajah Road last night when 100 feet of the main road at the 63rd mile owing to the collapse of the embankment suddenly slid into a big lombong 40 feet deep.

Mine coolies promptly warned off cars, but one hire Chevrolet mistaking the stop signal for robbers dashed through. The driver and two passengers escaped, but one passenger and the car are still under the water.

Storm At Kuala Lumpur.

A violent gale accompanied by thunder and lightning raged over Kuala Lumpur last night between 8.30 and 9. Rain fell heavily and the river rose considerably causing great apprehension among those living in the low-lying parts along the river banks, portions of which were already submerged.

Careful watch was kept on the river, but owing to the recent straightening of some of the worst bends the water flowed off rapidly, rendering the possibility of a flood in town remote.

After a blockage of eleven days it is expected that the main trunk road traffic to Penang from the south will be resumed to-day across the Perak River over Enggor pontoon bridge, the last section of which was being replaced yesterday. The other crossing into Siam at Blanja ferry was reopened yesterday afternoon.

PRESS CENSORSHIP IN CANTON.**ACTS OF BANDITRY KEPT SECRET.****CLOSE WATCH FOR COMMUNISTS.****MORE PROPAGANDA FOUND.**

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, Jan. 9th.

The Police have forbidden the vernacular Press to publish any more news about banditry in the city unless until it has been approved by the Central Police Station. The Police have of late been complaining about the local newspapers publishing the names of Communists and other outlaws. There has been for some time a ban on publishing the news of the arrests of Communists, or the raiding of their dens. But accounts of the apprehending of ordinary or non-Communist criminals have been allowed to appear. Since it is very hard to draw the line between a Communist and an ordinary bandit, mistakes were liable to occur. Very often reporters mentioned the names of Communists but merely classed them as bandits, thus evading the censorship. The papers would describe the "sensational chase and arrest of bandits," and give the names of the desperadoes. The result was that the rest of the Communist gang would abscond.

Now to facilitate the arrest of all Communists the Police think it better not to have any news of ordinary banditry published in the newspapers unless the event has taken place long ago and the publication is passed by the Police. This prevents any danger of confusion between Communists and the ordinary bandit.

THE ANNAMITES.

Following the arrest of the nine Annamites about a fortnight ago in Canton, their quarters have been closed and sealed by the Canton Garrison. Two other places where suspected Annamites met and gathered have been similarly raided. A search revealed great quantities of Russian, English and French propaganda. But the whole thing has been kept so secret that the Press still have no knowledge of the contents of the documents. According to information from military circles the arrested Annamites are suspected of disturbing public peace and order but they are not genuine Communists. They are now in the hands of the Canton Garrison who are sifting the whole matter. Unless the men are proved Communists they will be released.

GOVERNOR OF MACAO IN CANTON.**A PRIVATE VISIT.**

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, January 9th.

The Governor of Macao, Senhor Tamagui Barboza and Madame Barboza are visiting Canton on private business, the report being that Madame Barboza wishes to consult a German medical specialist in Canton. There was no ceremony connected with his arrival, and in fact, the local authorities did not expect His Excellency. He paid a private visit to the Canton Foreign Commissioner yesterday afternoon at about 3 o'clock, and also visited Mr. Fung Cho Man, Commissioner of Finance, and other Canton notables. Senhor Barboza was to lunch with Dr. Chao Hei Chu and Mr. Fung Cho Man at the Foreign Office and he and Madame Barboza are expected to return to Macao later in the day.

AIR SERVICE FOR LIANG KWANG PROVINCES.**EIGHT CENTRES SELECTED.**

According to a lengthy account published yesterday in the local Chinese press an aviation service, for mails only, is to be started for Kwangtung and Kwangsi by the Canton Aviation Bureau early next month.

Four centres have been chosen for each province. For Kwangtung, Canton, Swatow, Suchow and Hing Ning; for Kwangsi, Wuhow, Liu-chow, Nanning and Kweilin. The service will be maintained, it is stated, by two seaplanes.

STILL DEEPER DARKNESS.**ANGRY CANTON MERCHANTS.****DESERTED STREETS AND SHOPS CLOSED.**

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, January 9th.

A large part of Canton, including Sai Kwan, the city's main business quarter, is still suffering nightly from the constant failure of the electric lights. For some unknown reason the electricity in Canton has been utterly unreliable for the past ten days. At the beginning the lights went out only for short intervals. But the periods of darkness have increased in length and in frequency until last night there were no electric lights at all in several places from sunset almost to midnight. The general speculation is how long it will be before the entire city is in darkness all night long. There is no trouble with the current in the day time; it is only at night when it fails.

When our correspondent walked through the principal thoroughfares of Sai Kwan and other busy sections of the city last night, he saw that most of the shops had shut their iron gates at an unusually early hour—especially the jewellery shops, watch and clock stores, jade shops, electric shops and silk and embroidery stores. These stores dare not risk being open when the lights are liable to go out owing to the ubiquitous "crooked people" who thrive in the dark.

Noticably fewer people were in the streets of Sai Kwan last night. No well dressed ladies were to be seen after 8 o'clock in the evening and indeed the few pedestrians were mostly men of the working class.

A MATTER OF COURSE.

One of the officials of the big cinema in Sap Bat Po Street remarked to our correspondent: "No electricity, no show." But the smaller merchants were doing business as usual by candles, kerosene and gasoline lamps. No little confusion occurred ten days ago when the electric light first began to go wrong, but they are so accustomed to it now that they get their candles and kerosene or gasoline lamps ready each evening as a matter of course.

All this has at least meant a big boom for dealers in candles, kerosene, gasoline and all forms of non-electric lamps, but no one else is pleased. The merchants are now getting together to petition the Government to bring pressure to bear upon the Canton Power and Light Company which is responsible for the efficient lighting of Canton.

NETHERLANDS FLAGSHIP IN HONG KONG.**ADMIRAL'S OFFICIAL LANDING.**

The fine Dutch cruiser Java, flying the flag of Rear-Admiral A. ten Broeke Hoekstra arrived in the harbour at 10 a.m. yesterday, the customary salutes being exchanged with the port.

The Admiral accompanied by Captain A. F. H. Haluizen, in command of the Java, and his Flag-Lieutenant, Lieut. Comdr. P. J. Feteris and the Netherlands Consul-General, Mr. M. J. Quist, who had already repaired on board, landed at noon at Queen's Pier.

On landing the visitors were received by Captain A. J. L. Whyte, R.E., A.D.C. to H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, and a Guard of Honour, from the Queen's Regt., under Major H. C. E. Hull, D.S.O., gave the salute. The Band of the Queen's was also in attendance and played the Dutch National Anthem.

Lieut.-Col. H. G. Ponsonby, D.S.O., M.C., Commanding Officer of the Queen's was in command and, with Admiral Hoekstra, inspected the Guard of Honour. The visitors then proceeded by car to Government House where they were received by H.E. the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G., and later returned to the Java.

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government returned the visit later and was accorded the usual salute of 17 guns on leaving the Dutch warship.

The Java is to stay here six days and arrangements as to entertaining have been postponed pending the arrival yesterday evening of H.E. Sir Cecil Clementi. The cruiser attended the Coronation Review in Japan and was also at Nanking for the New Year military review held by the Chinese National Government. On leaving here the Java will proceed to Surabaya where the Admiral will resume his command of the Naval Department of the Netherlands East Indies.

The Java is a new cruiser of 7,500 tons and has a complement of 33 officers and 600 men.

ROUND THE COURTS.**WOMAN HAWKER WRONGLY CHARGED.****CENTRAL MAGISTRACY CASES.**

"How dare you arrest this woman! She has a licence for a whole year. Now you will have to pay her \$1 as compensation out of your own pocket."

These words were addressed by Mr. R. E. Lindsell, the Senior Magistrate, to a Chinese constable at whose instance a woman was charged with hawking without a licence. His Worship found that the licence was a free one issued to the woman in October last and good for one year.

Continuing, his Worship told Sergeant Hallam that this did not speak highly for the intelligence of the officer who took down the charge at the No. 7 Police Station.

Sergeant Hallam replied that he did not take the charge himself. He went on to explain that in order to simplify matters for the police the issuing office usually stamped the year of expiry on the licence. The absence of the stamp in this case might have misled the constable.

His Worship: That is no concern of mine. There is the date starting you in the face, and the words "for one year only."

ANOTHER KIND OF HAWKER.

A Chinese who was charged with hawking without a licence told Mr. Lindsell that the licence was taken away from him by Sub-Inspector Dickinson in November. Remarking that he was talking nonsense, his officer was dead at the time, his Worship fined him \$5.

His Worship observed later that the man used crutches and was a cripple. Instructions were then given to make further enquiries at the licensing office.

Inspector Field appeared in Court and told the Magistrate that the defendant was given a licence to hawk cigarettes in March, 1927. Between that time and August of the same year the defendant was convicted four times for selling other goods besides cigarettes. The licence was then cancelled by the Captain Superintendent of Police, but later the man was given a chance. Finally it was cancelled a second time in November last year when he repeated the offence.

Addressing the defendant, his Worship said that he had deliberately disobeyed the provisions of his licence, and this in spite of the fact that he had been given a chance. The fine would be \$50 the next time.

BANISHEE'S EXTRAORDINARY EXCUSE.

Charged with returning to the Colony while he was serving a banishment order, a Chinese told Mr. Lindsell that his presence here was due to the unfortunate circumstances that the junk on which he was travelling broke one of its masts and was forced to come here for repairs. Further, that he intended while ashore to go to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs to get permission to stay in the Colony for 24 hours while the junk was under repair.

A Chinese detective stated that he "picked the accused up" near the Shaukiwan market on information received that he was often seen there. At the time of the arrest nothing was mentioned about a junk with a broken mast, but the witness understood from the defendant that he had come here to dispose of some sweet potatoes.

A remand was given until this morning, the police being directed to take the defendant to Shaukiwan where the junk was stated to be undergoing repairs and report the result.

AN UNLAWFUL SOCIETY.

Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P., made an application before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy for an order for confiscation of property seized under the Societies Ordinance.

In the witness-box he said that the things seized, a list of which was produced, were taken in the course of a police raid at midnight on November 23rd on the second floor of No. 81, Connaught Road West, the administrative premises of the Teahouse Waiters' Guild as an unlawful society had appeared in the Government Gazette on November 23rd, 1928, and notices in Chinese had also been posted on the premises, but no claims have been made for any of the property seized.

His Worship made the confiscation order.

WATCHMAKER AND PAWNBROKER.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy on behalf of a Chinese, whom he described as a respectable watchmaker.

The man was charged with giving a wrong address when pawning six watches (Continued on next column).

STRAITS \$10 NOTES.**MORE ALLEGED FORGERIES SEIZED.****MAN TRAPPED BY POLICE.**

Another forged note case—the third recently in which \$10 treasury notes of the Straits Settlements are alleged to have been imitated—opened before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

The proceedings concerned a Chinese named Chan Muk who is charged with conspiracy to utter forged notes. A woman is also involved in a charge arising out of the same case, but hearing was adjourned until next week.

On evidence being called, a Chinese detective stated that, acting on certain information received, he approached the defendant as a purchaser of Straits Settlements notes. Witness received a ten dollar note on payment of \$4 Hong Kong currency. A bargain was then made for the supply of \$1,000 worth of the notes, the price agreed being \$33 for every \$100 worth. The defendant, however, stated that he would have to go to Canton to get the notes.

On December 21st, continued witness, he met the defendant again when a promise was made to supply the notes on the following day. Defendant was then told that witness was staying at the Yuet Wa boarding house in Yaumatei and it was arranged to meet there. The defendant came at 9 p.m. At 9.15 p.m. a woman arrived, but after a short absence she returned to the boarding house with 31 notes. These were offered to the witness as a part of the order. A signal was then given to police officers waiting outside to enter the room.

Further evidence disclosed that the detective who had posed as the buyer was also arrested at the same time in order to keep up the deception.

Sub-Inspector Carey gave evidence of finding the 31 notes on the woman. When defendant was searched he had tied to his waist a bundle of notes (worthless imitations) wrapped in Chinese paper.

The case was adjourned until this morning.

watches at a pawnshop in Shaukiwan, and on a further point of obtaining \$10 on a false pretence by offering a brass watch as gold.

Mr. Russ stated that the watches were the property of the defendant. On the other charge he suggested that the defendant did not tell the pawnbroker that the watch was made of gold, and the latter had taken it for what he thought it was worth.

The hearing was adjourned, bail being fixed at \$200.

KOWLOON COURT CASES.**STARTED AT ELEVEN YEARS OLD.**

A Chinese named Chan Wing, with a criminal record dating back to 1905 when he was eleven years of age, and totalling 27 convictions, was before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. The defendant was arrested on a charge of larceny of several articles of clothing belonging to a Chinese living at No. 18, Shing Li Road. The defendant was arrested with the garments in his possession.

He was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

The man's last conviction, some six months ago, was for attempting to rid No. 235, Nathan Road, when he was chased and caught by Mr. Arthur Brown, the Recreio footballer. He was sentenced to six months' hard labour for that indiscretion and has only recently been released from gaol.

TWO BANISHEES RETURN.

Two Chinese who were charged with returning from banishment were sentenced, the one to three months' hard labour and 15 strokes of the birch, and the other to 12 months' hard labour. The banishment had been for life and for a period of ten years respectively.

RAILWAY TRESPASSERS.

Two Chinese were charged at the instigation of the Kowloon Canton Railway authorities before Mr. E. W. Hamilton with being found in a covered wagon belonging to the Railway. It was stated that there was no suggestion that the men were there for any unlawful purpose but the danger of fire led to the prosecution. The defendants were fined \$10 with the alternative of 14 days' hard labour.

AUTOMATIC PISTOL AND AMMUNITION CONFISCATED.

On the application of Sergeant Riddell, Mr. E. W. Hamilton ordered the confiscation of an automatic pistol and 87 rounds of ammunition which were found unclaimed by the chief officer of the s.s. Talma.

ALLEGED PARTNERS AT LOGGERSHEAD.**THE VALIDITY OF A NOTE QUESTIONED.****"NOVEL METHOD OF DISSOLVING PARTNERSHIP."**

A case which, Mr. F. X. d'Almada, snr., described as a novel method of seeking the dissolution of partnership, was heard yesterday at the Summary Court before Mr. Justice P. Jackson.

The plaintiff was Sin Fook, trading as the Wo Fat firm and the Wo Shing firm and the defendant, Chan Yick Mi, managing partner of the Fook Mee firm. The claim was for \$740 due under four Chinese promissory notes.

Mr. Horace Lo appeared for the plaintiff and the defendant was represented by Mr. F. X. d'Almada, snr.

Opening the case, Mr. Lo said that the defendant was personally known to the plaintiff for a number of years, and they became more closely acquainted when plaintiff's wife fell sick. The loan was made to the defendant for his own use. He understood that the defence would be that plaintiff was a partner in defendant's firm. This the plaintiff would deny. He also understood that Mr. d'Almada would raise another defence, which had not been disclosed.

Mr. d'Almada interposed. He said that his defence would be that the plaintiff was a partner in the Fook Mee firm, and that being the case, the plaintiff was seeking a novel method of dissolving the partnership.

Plaintiff then gave evidence as to lending the money and receiving the notes for them. At this stage the validity of one of the notes was questioned by Mr. d'Almada. He pointed out to his Lordship that the date on the note was February 18th, 1928. That was the day when the money was actually lent, but the note was not given until sometime afterwards, the stamp date being April 18th.

Mr. d'Almada then submitted that the note was not valid because it must be stamped before execution. His Lordship reserved this point.

Defendant's evidence was to the effect that he and the plaintiff were sworn brothers. Witness had a business of his own but after the strike, goods became bad and plaintiff joined him in partnership. He admitted giving the notes but said that the money was lent for the use of the firm.

The case was adjourned.

PROPERTY SALES.**CONDUIT ROAD RESIDENCE FETCHES \$53,000.****SEVERAL LOTS NOT SOLD.**

Several lots of leasehold properties were put up for auction yesterday at Messrs. Lamert Bros. auction rooms, but with one exception, all were withdrawn from the sale.

A European residence known as No. 49, Conduit Road, on Inland Lot No. 2021, with a garden, tennis court and garage, and occupying an area of 24,582 square feet, was sold to Mr. Fung Pok Um for \$53,000. The upset price was \$30,000. Bidding was brisk and it was eventually knocked down to the purchaser for the amount mentioned.

Prince Terrace. A four-storied semi-European dwelling house known as No. 12, Prince Terrace, which is on the mid-level to the south of Caine Road, was the next lot offered. This property stands on Inland Lot No. 152A on an area of 1,228 square feet, with an adjoining piece of vacant ground and carries with it a Crown rental of \$14 and \$94.48 (for the vacant ground). It was withdrawn at \$80,000.

Another building of the same type, known as house No. 13, also on Prince Terrace, with an area of 1,070 square feet and Crown rental of \$14.72 per annum was also withdrawn from the sale after the bidding had gone up to \$46,000.

Houses In Ho Mnn Tin.

Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1421, with the buildings thereon known as Nos. 2, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, Kwong Wa Street, with an adjacent piece of vacant ground, and Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1422, with houses thereon known as Nos. 24, 26, 28, 30, Kwong Wa Street, and Nos. 37, 39, 41, 43, 45, 47, Waterloo Road. Included in these two lots was also Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1519 with buildings thereon known as Nos. 32 and 34, Kwong Wa Street, with an adjacent piece of vacant ground and Nos. 51 and 53, Waterloo Road, were put up for sale at the upset price of \$150,000. Biddings went up to \$180,000 and the properties were not sold.

Fourteen Houses.

Fourteen houses standing on Aberdeen Inland Lots Nos. 81, 82, and 83 in Tung Sing Road, Aberdeen, was the next lot offered at the upset price of \$80,000. It was also withdrawn from the sale after having been offered \$68,000.

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THE RE-SAIL of the 1st CHAMPIONSHIP RACE for the I. Y. & G. Classes will take place on SATURDAY, the 17th Inst. There will also be a Race for the H. Class over the same Course.

C. E. L. GRIST,
Hon. Secy., Sailing Committee.
[7118]

HONG KONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

BURNS' ANNIVERSARY DINNER will be held in the VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS HALL on FRIDAY, 25th JANUARY, 1929, at 8 P.M. The cost will be \$4.00 Per Head exclusive of Wine.

Members desirous of being present are requested to send in their names as soon as possible and Not Later Than MONDAY, 21st JANUARY, 1929.

E. M. BRYDEN,
Hon. Secretary,
c/o LEWIS, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,
3, Queen's Road Central.
[7213]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Goods of HELENA AUGUSTA AGNEW POPP, Late of 1, King's Gardens, Hong Kong, in the County of Sussex, widow, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has, by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance, 1897, made an Order Limiting the Time for Creditors and Others to send in their Claims against the above Estate to the 8th DAY of FEBRUARY, 1929.

All Creditors and Others are accordingly hereby required to send in their Claims to the Underigned on or before that Date.

Dated the 9th day of January, 1929.
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Solicitors for the Executors,
Princes Building, 100 House Street,
Hong Kong.
[7220]

THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION will be held on SATURDAY, the 2nd DAY of FEBRUARY, 1929, at 12 O'CLOCK Noon at the CITY HALL, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following Resolution, viz:

That the Directors of the HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION be and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the Shareholders of the Corporation to take all such steps as may be necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hong Kong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hong Kong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, in the terms of a print which, for the purposes of identification, has been signed by the Chief Manager of the Corporation, in substitution for the existing Ordinances (except as in such print is mentioned) and Deed of Settlement of the Corporation.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a FURTHER EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the CORPORATION will be held on SATURDAY, the 23rd DAY of FEBRUARY, 1929, at 12.45 in the Afternoon, at the same Place for the purpose of receiving a Report of the above mentioned Meeting and of considering, and if thought fit, confirming the above Resolution in accordance with Article 96 of the Corporation's Deed of Settlement.

Dated this 1st day of January, 1929.
By Order of the Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.

NOTE.—A Copy of the proposed New Ordinance can be seen during the Usual Banking Hours (SUNDAYS, Public and Bank Holidays excepted) in Hong Kong at the Head Office of the CORPORATION or at the Office of Messrs. JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, Princes Building, Solicitors to the said Corporation, and in Shanghai at the Office of the Corporation, from the Date hereof until the Date of the above mentioned Confirmatory Meeting.
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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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25th, 26th, 27th FEBRUARY, and 2nd MARCH, 1929.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS are now Ready and may be obtained at the RACE COURSE, HONG KONG CLUB and CAUSEWAY BAY STABLES.
Hong Kong, 15th Dec., 1928. [7103]

INTIMATIONS.

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

SEALED TENDERS will be Received at the Office of the O.C., R.A.S.C., HEADQUARTERS, SOUTH CHINA COMMAND, Hong Kong, until 12 O'CLOCK Noon, on the Date stated, for the Undermentioned Service, for the Period as given:

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Tender Forms and any necessary Information may be obtained at the above Office between the Hours of 10 A.M. and 1 P.M., Daily, except Sundays. [7206]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 14th DAY of JANUARY, 1929, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the GOVERNOR, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Prince Edward Road, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.		No. of Sale.	
Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Annual Rental.
N. S. E. W.	ft. ft. ft. ft.	ft. ft. ft. ft.	\$ \$
1	Kowloon Island Lot No. 2185.	Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.	As per sale plan.
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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.		No. of Sale.	
Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Annual Rental.
N. S. E. W.	ft. ft. ft. ft.	ft. ft. ft. ft.	\$ \$
2	Kowloon Island Lot No. 2186.	Alonging Kowloon Island Lot No. 2185, Sai Yeung Choi Street.	As per sale plan.
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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.30 p.m., stated:—

The anti-cyclone over the Yangtze Valley has weakened. Fresh to moderate monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea. Local Forecast:—N.E. winds, moderate, fine.

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GOLD, SILVER, AND PAPER.

BUSINESS-MEN are very keenly aware of the importance of "those fractional figures which appear in foreign exchange quotations. A variation of one-sixteenth of a penny may make all the difference between profit and loss in these days of keen competition. Not many merchants, however, could give a clear explanation of the "how and why" of the variations they watch so closely. The few who really do understand the subject probably would not have the gift of imparting their knowledge to the uninitiated in a manner which would make the explanation really interesting. The admitted intricacies of the subject, coupled with the impression that the topic is a dull and dry one, account for the fact that so few people who are directly concerned with international exchange have ever troubled to acquaint themselves with the theory and technicalities of the subject. The drawing and negotiation of foreign bills are matters which concern commercial men as well as bankers, and while the latter are naturally well informed on the matter, their clients—with few exceptions—know little about the theory upon which this financial machinery is built, however well informed they may be on the practical side.

News and Views.

The Burns' Anniversary Dinner of the Hong Kong St. Andrew's Society will be held at Volunteer Headquarters' Hall on Friday, Jan. 25th at 8 p.m.

As a precaution against possible piracies during the present season, the Canton Naval authorities have despatched the gunboats Hoi Fu, Poo Pik, and Lung Siang to patrol off Bios Bay.

Eight more cases of small-pox, seven from Victoria and one from Kowloon, were reported on Tuesday. Other cases notified were: diphtheria, 1, enteric, 1. All patients were Chinese.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., arrived here yesterday by the Empress of France after about eight months' home leave. As the liner arrived at dusk Sir Cecil landed and proceeded to Government House without any formalities.

Property amounting to £32,093, 10s. 10d. in England and \$30,600 in Hong Kong was left by Sir Charles John Dudgeon, who died at Sanremo, Italy, on January 23rd, 1928. Lady Isabella Annie Dudgeon and the Marchese, Count Alice Celesia Rappini de Castel Delino, the widow and daughter respectively of Sir Charles, are now living at La Cereda Velate, Varese, Italy.

Due to the considerable increase in public omnibuses, riskshaw pullers are experiencing hard times. At one time a riskshaw "boy" could earn as much as two or three dollars per diem. Their earnings have now decreased by 50 per cent. As a riskshaw "boy" has to pay as much as 10s. to 15s. per day for the hire of the riskshaw, many of them find it difficult to make ends meet.

Sites for a municipal aerodrome at Carlisle have been submitted to the Air Ministry, who have selected one at Kingstown, and negotiations for the land, which is owned by Sir James Watt, are proceeding. Carlisle aerodrome will be one of the most important of those contemplated in the North of England, as it will be a halting place between Lancashire, the Lake district, and the West of Scotland.

Messrs. Elder Dempster have given orders for several of their ships to be fitted with Marconi direction-finding apparatus, and the work of installation will proceed as the ships become available. Type 11G is the latest design of marine direction-finder, and uses high-frequency amplifying valves of the screened grid type. These are enclosed inside the instrument case, which is of metal and divided into separate compartments effectively shielding the circuits from each other and from external interference. By this means the possibility of errors being introduced by local electrical apparatus is reduced to a minimum. Another feature of this instrument is the introduction of two calibrated dials in the direction-finder unit. One is fixed, and the bearings indicated thereon are relative to the ship's head. The second dial is rotatable, and on being set to the ship's true course will indicate true bearings that need no correction, providing the ship is on her course when the bearing is taken.

only has each place its own taal weight, but in some provinces it is found that several standards are maintained simultaneously! Should the taal weight be the same on any given day in any two centres, it would be mere coincidence, and not a sign of stability.

All this, of course, is not new to the experienced China hand, and Mr. SPALDING does not set out to teach men engaged in Eastern trade their business. The references in his book to the special problems arising in a country with an unstable silver exchange are merely incidental but very necessary chapters for students of the general subject. To say that this book is as interesting as a novel is no exaggeration; it is much more interesting than many works of fiction, for the author has a very happy knack of explaining technicalities in an attractive and forceful way. The apparent difficulty of understanding the riddle of foreign exchange has attributes very largely to the fact that people do not attempt to study the matter in a workmanlike and systematic manner. Consequently, the author starts his task by putting himself in the position of a person with no previous knowledge of the subject, and then proceeds to explain and demonstrate the various divisions step by step. He treats the familiar documentary substitutes for money as a commodity, controlled by the same laws of supply and demand which govern any other commodity. Bankers make it part of their business to engage in buying and selling this "commodity," and the curious reader may learn from this book how the astute operator is able to oblige two clients simultaneously by the process of "marrying," where the banker neither takes any risk nor ties up a penny of his funds!

The unsatisfactory position of the

French mercantile marine was the subject of criticism in the French Chamber recently, when the Merchant Marine Budget came up for discussion. M. Bellanger pointed out that the French merchant marine, which ranked third in the world in 1914, had now been relegated to the sixth place. It ranked lower than those of Japan, Italy and Germany, and it was inadequate not only in tonnage, but by reason of its age.

At a meeting in London of the Council of the Chamber of Shipping a statement was heard from Colonel Cole, representing the Department of Overseas Trade, that the British Government were prepared to spend £100,000 on the Antwerp exhibition in 1930, and desired to make shipping the key-note of the British exhibit. It appeared that many people on the Continent were under a delusion that British shipping was in its decline, and the exhibition afforded an opportunity of demonstrating its continuing supremacy. It was agreed to appoint a small committee.

Eight men, armed with revolvers and shot-guns, held up a semi-armoured car in Yonkers, in the northern outskirts of New York, recently, and robbed it of \$100,000. The money, which was the wages of the 7,000 employees of a carpet manufactory, was being carried to the factory from the bank, and was guarded by three heavily armed men. The robbers, in two cars, closed in on it from behind, firing as they came. They wounded one of the guards and the others surrendered. With their shot-guns they made a hole in the back of the lorry, and through this they pulled the satchel holding the money. Then, abandoning one of their own cars, all eight escaped in the other, which was of a powerful type.

A remarkable case of manslaughter was heard at Plymouth recently when William George Remy, aged sixty-three, chief steward of the steamship, Tabarka, was remanded on bail. The captain of the City of Nagpur, who brought Remy home from Marseilles, was one of the sureties. It was alleged that while the vessel was at Marseilles Remy was asked by a seaman, named George Durant, who was taken suddenly ill, for a "black draught." Remy, by mistake, it was stated, handed to him a bottle of carbolic acid, which Durant drank and died soon afterwards. Remy, who lives at Middlebrough, was sent home by the Consul-General to be tried for alleged manslaughter. He said, when arrested, that it was a "pure accident."

"Romanity." A book of selected excerpts from the speeches and articles of Mussolini has been prepared for the use of school-children in Italy, including those of the lowest forms. The Hon. Giuseppe Belluzzi, minister of Education has written a preface to the volume, in which he says:—"Reading the book, you will learn to love your country, the king and the Duce of Fascism. You young scholars are fortunate to have in your hands a book like this full of the sentiment of 'Romanity.' Remember that Rome was the mistress of the world as long as the Romans were great agriculturists. This is the reason why the 'Duce's' predominant thought is towards the land and those who cultivate it."

Prince Chichibu. Lieutenant Prince Yasuhito Chichibu, heir presumptive to the Japanese Throne, entered the Military College on Christmas Day to begin a three years course in higher military training. He is due to be promoted to the rank of captain next spring. Prince Chichibu was married to Miss Setsu Matsudaira, daughter of the ambassador to the Court of St. James, last September, and has just completed participation in the ceremonies of the enthronement of Emperor Hirohito. Although heir presumptive to the throne he is never referred to as such in Japan. Subjects of the Emperor feel that his formal designation of the Prince as heir might be considered as an aspersion on the young Emperor and Empress because they have as yet no son.

Babies and Kissing. It will relieve certain shy bachelors to hear, on the authority of a medical officer of health, that it is dangerous to kiss a new-born baby—dangerous, of course, for the baby, not the kisser, though the latter may be the more badly scared. At the same time we are told that a mother may kiss her babe since it is proof against any germs that she may harbour. One always feels sorry for the man who is shown the new arrival in a friend's family and feels that he will fall many points in the estimation of the proud mother if he does not kiss the baby. Still it is not really so bad. Paderewski is credited with the best description of the ordeal when he was invited to salute the newly arrived infant of a friend. The great pianist bent down, kissed the soft, warm little cheek, and looking up exclaimed, "It's rather like kissing a poached egg."

"Lord X Has Made Me A Director." Sir Henry Slesser, K.C., the Socialist M.P., who was Solicitor-General in the last Government, speaking at Danby, emphasised what the Prime Minister has already said on the matter when he condemned the practice of appointing to the directorship of large concerns at considerable salaries men who were not qualified to have control of large businesses of which they knew nothing. He said that it was impossible that they should understand twelve, sixteen, or twenty different businesses. It was not to be wondered at that company promoting and directing had become a profession. "The other day," he went on, "I met a man in the House of Commons and asked him what he was looking so happy about. He said 'Lord X has made me a director in one of his companies.' I asked him whether he knew anything about the business of the company, and he said, 'No, but it is worth £500 a year.' That man," commented Sir Henry, "was going to control an enterprise of which he knew nothing."

Do Plants Feel? A theory that trees resemble human beings in so far as they are attracted and repulsed by the presence of human beings is put forward by Herbert G. Longford. It is now possible to fix instruments to trees to prove that they are attracted or repulsed by the presence of human beings in the same way that some human beings experience a feeling of revulsion or restlessness when passing among trees, says Longford in an article entitled: "Do Plants Feel?" "It has been reserved to scientists of the present generation," he says, "to conceive and produce instruments of marvellous delicacy, proving by the production of visible record that all living plants have nerves which respond to electrical shock, to heat and to cold—as do various naturally occurring organisms during times of wakefulness and sleep. Still further it can be proved to demonstration that their reactions to chloroform and other anaesthetics are identical with the phenomena exhibited by the animal world. 'Grown trees, under the influence of drugs, have been transplanted with mutilated roots without shock, whereas untreated similarly selected trees have died.'"

Sydney Municipal Scandal.

The hearing at Sydney (N.S.W.) of the case against Messrs. Babcock and Wilcox, who were charged under the Secret Commissions Act with having corruptly paid £10,000 to Mr. Silas Young Maling, when he was general manager of the Sydney Municipal Electricity Department, as a reward for his acceptance of their tender for the construction of the Sydney power plant, was concluded last month. The Magistrate found the charges proved, and ordered a fine of £1,000, and ordered the firm to re-occupy the Sydney City Corporation the £10,000. Counsel for the defendants applied for a stay of proceedings. The case against Mr. Frank Green, a former alderman, who was charged with receiving a bribe, was also dealt with. The principal witness was Mr. Silas Maling, who is now undergoing six months' imprisonment for receiving a bribe. Maling declared emphatically: "I won't answer a single question while surrounded like Arnold and Albert are at liberty. These two were witnesses in Maling's case. Arnold was Australian manager of Messrs. Babcock and Wilcox, and Albert is the Sydney diver who testified that certain moneys had been paid through him. Counsel for the prosecution, upon Maling's refusal to speak, asked the Magistrate to dismiss the case against Green, since Maling's evidence was essential. The case was dismissed."

Sailing-Ship Sailors.

Life in the old sailing ships of forty years ago, said ancient days of the war were recalled by Captain Sidney Finch, R.N.R., who is retiring after forty years with the P. and O. Line. Captain Finch has been in command of vessels for the last eighteen years, his last ship being the 21,000-ton Mooltan. At sea since he was 16, for four years he was in the old wood clippers. Captains then had a very hard life compared with captains of to-day, nothing much to eat, and no comfort, but from the seafaring point of view it was invaluable.

In Captain Finch's opinion the true sailors are those who have been trained in sailing ships. They learned how to be self-reliant and how to act in an emergency. Early in the war he was in the command of transports carrying troops from Australia to Egypt. He had charge of the Pera at the first landing at Gallipoli in 1915—a hazardous business. The Pera was torpedoed in Oct., 1917, in the Mediterranean, and sank in 20 minutes. No lives were lost. Then he had command of a transport bringing American troops to France. When he had charge of a hospital ship they were frozen in the ice at Archangel for six months, but supplies held out all right. Typhoons and other little things which, of course, almost every day happenings in the China seas. Captain Finch, who lives in Surrey, but is a Kentish man, will retire into country life.

STRONG FEELING IN HANKOW.**PRETEXT OF COOLIE'S DEATH.****THREE DEMANDS FROM JAPAN.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

HANKOW, Jan. 9th.

Anti-Japanese feeling here is running high. Trouble is considered likely as the result of the death of a coolie who was knocked down by a Japanese motor cyclist and died a few hours later.

The Foreign Affairs Office this morning publishes in the foreign press a statement declaring that independent medical testimony asserts that the coolie's death was the direct result of the accident, in spite of the fact that the Japanese doctors reported otherwise.

The statement goes on to say that three demands have been presented to the Japanese authorities, namely, compensation to the extent of \$3,000, the punishment of the marine and the withdrawal of Japanese marines from Hankow. To this the Japanese have vouchsafed no answer.

The statement concludes with the information that the Foreign Minister has sent a letter to the Japanese Consul saying that the untoward occurrences are the result of the Japanese attitude, and the Japanese authorities alone are held responsible.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao).

Workers Called Out.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 9th.

In a message from Hankow it is reported that Chinese workers in the Japanese Concession have been called out and pickets will blockade the Concession. Public bodies are raising funds to support the strikers.

NANKING RAILWAY HOLD UP.**WELL PLANNED COUP.****FULLER DETAILS.**

A Reuter message from Nanking gives fuller details of the holding up and robbing of a train between Shanghai and Nanking. The message in the main substantiates the Chinese cable which was printed yesterday.

A Shanghai-Nanking Railway train was held up and robbed last night at 9 o'clock at Yinchenmen Station, ten minutes from Hsia-kwan.

Thirty bandits descended on the station, some holding up the stationmaster and guards while the remainder went through the passengers, taking more than two hours. The train eventually arrived at Nanking at midnight. A garrison force was immediately ordered out, but so far no arrests have been made.

Pay-Train.

The train that the bandits held up was the usual monthly Shanghai-Nanking Railway staff pay-train. They robbed the paymaster of \$10,000, which was apparently the motive of the robbery, and then ransacked the belongings of approximately 1,500 Chinese passengers of the coolie class with the poorest results.

The outrage was well planned. The robbers were armed with automatics, while two carried Thompson automatic rifles. Four bandits hoarded the locomotive and threatened the engine driver and fireman, while two cut the Shanghai-Nanking telegraphs and telephone wire. The bandits made off northwards and it is believed that they crossed over the Yangtze river to evade pursuit.

MANCHURIA'S RAILWAYS.**(Wah Tsz Yat Pao).**

SHANGHAI, Jan. 9th.

Mr. Yu Tan Chek, representative of the Society for the Restoration of Manchurian Railway Rights, petitioned the Nanking Government yesterday morning to take up the problem of Manchurian railways with Japan. According to his statement, the aim of the Japanese Government is to seize every possible opportunity to gain the right of railway construction in Manchuria. He urges that it is high time that the Central Government should issue a warning to her and at the same time take effective steps to raise funds for the immediate construction of intended lines, like the line between Hainan and Hailin, which is now needed to protect the interests of the railways in Kirin and Heilungkiang. All secret treaties formerly concluded between the defunct Peking Government and Japan, in which considerable concessions were made to the latter, should be declared null and void.

JAPAN'S TRADE FIGURES.**INCREASED BUSINESS WITH CHINA.****INEFFECTUAL BOYCOTT.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

TOKYO, Jan. 9th.

Exports for last year totalled 1,971,000,000 yen, and imports 2,192,000,000 yen, compared with 1,992,000,000 yen and 2,177,000,000 yen in 1927.

Despite the boycott the China trade shows a considerable increase, exports to China being 530,000,000 yen and imports 375,000,000 yen, compared with 484,000,000 yen and 332,000,000 yen in 1927.

JAPANESE FARMERS DISSATISFIED.**SERIOUS CLASH WITH POLICE.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

OSAKA, Jan. 9th.

Trouble has arisen in the Gifu Prefecture in connection with the irrigation dam on the Saimokawa River, affecting a large farming area. The heads of the villages addressed a petition on this subject to the Governor of the Prefecture, but failed to gain their point. As a result a mass meeting was held yesterday and thousands of villagers of the Namori village clashed with the police, when forty casualties were suffered. The Governor has requested that troops be despatched from Tsuruga to Namori.

LATER.

The tension at Gifu has been relieved somewhat, both sides adopting a more conciliatory attitude. Seventy gendarmes have arrived on the scene, but though the crowds have not dispersed there has been no rioting.

AIR SERVICES.**(Wah Tsz Yat Pao).**

SHANGHAI, Jan. 9th.

Mr. Sun Fo, the Chief of the Railway Department, proposed at a regular meeting of the Executive Yuan that all agreements and contracts formerly concluded by provincial governments or any local authorities with foreign governments or private firms for the establishment of air services or loans for this purpose should be recognised by the Central Government as valid in order to facilitate development along this line.

The proposal was adopted by the meeting.

DISARMAMENT.**(Wah Tsz Yat Pao).**

SHANGHAI, Jan. 9th.

At yesterday's session of the Disarmament Conference at Nanking, several reports and resolutions were read and discussed. Reports on the numerical strength, armaments and expenses of main-tenance of the respective army groups (that is, the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Army Groups, the Manchurian Army and the Navy) were also read.

TARIFF TREATIES.**[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

NANKING, Jan. 9th.

The Central Political Council has ratified six new tariff treaties, the British, French, German, Dutch, Norwegian, and Swedish, while three others, the Danish, Spanish and Portuguese have been referred to the foreign relations committee for examination.

WITHDRAWAL OF U.S. MARINES.**[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

TIENTSIN, Jan. 9th.

The first batch of 450 United States Marines to be withdrawn from Tientsin embarked for Tsingtao at noon, where they will embark on the transport Henderson. After their disembarkation at Shanghai the transport will return to Tientsin to pick up the remaining 300 and will then proceed to Guam and the United States.

ITALIAN SAILORS IN BRAWL.**FILM STOLEN AND BURNED.****ROWDY SHANGHAI INCIDENT.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

SHANGHAI, Jan. 9th.

This evening three Italian sailors entered the Capitol Theatre where the film "The Street Angel" was being shown (which film Mussolini recently banned from Italy). They bought tickets but then went to the projection room, two of them producing automatics and one a knife. They seized the first reel which had just been run off and rushed from the theatre to the street. Fifty of their comrades were awaiting them there and they burned the film amid shouting and excitement.

The sailors then went to the Carlton Theatre where the same picture was being shown, but the police had been warned and prevented any further trouble.

POLITICAL SPEECHES RELAYED.**BALDWIN SPEAKS TO EIGHT TOWNS.****[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]**

RUGBY, Jan. 9th.

A new scheme of speech transmission will be put into use when Mr. Neville Chamberlain addresses a meeting at Liverpool on Friday week. His speech will be heard at the same time by audiences at Birkenhead, Southport and Widnes.

Plans are in preparation for relaying other important political speeches by members of the Government and arrangements have been made for a speech to be made in the early spring at Bristol by the Prime Minister, which will be relayed to seven other towns.

The Liberal party have already adopted this relay system with success, but on a somewhat smaller scale, in connection with speeches by Mr. Lloyd George.

DE HAVILLAND'S WORLD RECORD.**PILOT'S WIFE AS PASSENGER.****[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]**

RUGBY, Jan. 9th.

The Fédération Aéronautique Internationale has notified the Royal Aero Club of the granting of a world's record to Alan Butler, the chairman of the De Havilland Aircraft Company, who on December 7th on a one-hundred kilometre course accomplished a speed of 192.864 kilometres per hour on a De Havilland Gipsy Moth. The record is in the two-seater class for light aeroplanes, and Mrs. Butler was the passenger.

MEN LEAVING THE COAL-FIELDS.**WORK OF EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGES.****[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]**

RUGBY, Jan. 9th.

Sir John Cadman, member of the Industrial Transference Board, states that by means of the employment exchanges nearly seven hundred men, boys and girls were being moved away from the coalfields every week to other employment in other places. Three or four hundred more were moving on their own initiative.

Since the end of August nearly ten thousand people had been moved by means of the exchanges and with a few exceptions were settling down to other work.

SPANISH PETROLEUM MONOPOLY.**SHELL INSTALLATIONS BOUGHT.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

MADRID, Jan. 9th.

A contract has been signed under which all the Shell group's petroleum installations in Spain will be taken over by a Spanish petroleum monopoly against payment of \$110,000.

MR. A. H. F. EDWARDS' SUCCESSOR.**NEW INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF CUSTOMS.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

SHANGHAI, Jan. 9th.

A message from Nanking states that the Administrative Yuan yesterday afternoon decided to accept the resignation of Mr. A. H. F. Edwards as Inspector-General of the Maritime Customs.

Mr. F. W. Mase, Commissioner in Shanghai, has been appointed Inspector-General in place of Mr. Edwards.

KING'S CONDITION UNCHANGED.**HOPEFULNESS AT THE PALACE.****POSITION SATISFACTORY.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

LONDON, Jan. 9th.

The King passed a fair night and his condition is unchanged.

Although no improvement in the King's condition has been noted since Sunday, Reuter understands that the position is still regarded as satisfactory, and the air of hopefulness which has prevailed at the Palace for a couple of days is still unchanged.

It is thought that the reduction of the number of bulletins to one, issued at night, will become the usual procedure, and this is taken as proof of growing confidence on the part of the doctors that His Majesty's condition is now less liable to setbacks than hitherto.

A Quiet Day.

No bulletin was issued until 5.15 p.m. on Tuesday, when the following notice was exhibited on the railing of the Palace:—

"The King has had a quiet day. The condition of His Majesty remains unchanged. No bulletin will be issued until to-morrow evening."

(Signed) Stanley Hewitt, Dawson of Penn.

With the exception of Christmas Day and Boxing Day this is the first week-day on which no bulletin has been issued in the morning. It is taken as a good sign.

Only two doctors, Lord Dawson and Sir Stanley Hewitt, were at the Palace to-night and a definitely more hopeful air now prevails.

Japanese Visit Postponed.

It is authoritatively stated that until the King has recovered, nothing definite will be decided regarding the fulfilment of the Duke of Gloucester's proposed visit to Japan to hand to the Emperor the insignia of the Order of the Garter, bestowed on him by the King.

PLANE'S CRASH INTO THE SEA.**FATAL TRIAL FLIGHT.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

ST. RAPHAEL, Jan. 9th.

A three motored seaplane which was undergoing tests here, crashed from a height of 300 feet four miles out to sea. The five officers who were occupants of the machine were drowned.

HAVANA SHIPPING WARE.**"PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT" BREAKS THE RECORD.****"CARONIA" LEFT BEHIND.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

HAVANA, Jan. 9th.

The President Roosevelt beat the Caronia, by eight hours on the passage from New York to Havana. Although the Roosevelt's captain disclaimed any intention of racing, the vessel attained a speed of twenty knots for the last twelve hours and created a record for the trip to Havana.

FRENCH CHEMICAL COMPANY.**CLAIM TO IMMUNITY REJECTED.****AMERICAN COURT'S DECISION.****[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]**

NEW YORK, Jan. 8th.

After protracted legal argument in the American courts, a decision unfavourable to the French Government has been given in the Federal Court in connection with the important action instituted by the Department of Justice in 1927 against French and German chemical concerns.

It was alleged by the American Government that these firms had been formed for the sole purpose of gaining control of the distribution and the price of potash.

When the case was first brought up, nearly two years ago, the French Government intervened on the ground that the French company concerned was largely owned by the French Republic, and that it was, therefore, immune from legal proceedings.

The Federal Court has now rejected the claim of the French Government in this respect and has decided that the case, as originally instituted, must proceed.

REJOICING IN HOLLAND.**QUEEN MOTHER'S JUBILEE.****THE NATION'S THANKS.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

THE HAGUE, Jan. 9th.

In honour of the fiftieth anniversary of the arrival of the Queen Mother in Holland, Queen Wilhelmina gave a great gala dinner at which all the highest authorities in the country were present.

Her Majesty, in her speech addressed to her mother, declared that she knew she was interpreting the wishes of the whole nation in thanking her for what she had done for the nation during the last fifty years. When she was head of the Government she had won the confidence of the nation by her wisdom. The Queen expressed the hope that God would grant the Queen Mother many happy years yet.

Women's Gift.

The Queen Mother, ever since this day fifty years ago, the day of her wedding to King William III. of the Netherlands, has held the loyalty and love of her people. An illustration of this feeling is that, to celebrate her Jubilee, the women of Holland and of the Dutch East Indies subscribed a sum of £24,000 which will be placed at the disposal of Her Majesty for philanthropic purposes.

SALVATION ARMY COUNCIL.**SOLEMN PLEDGES OF SECRECY.****[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]**

RUGBY, Jan. 8th.

The first momentous meeting of the High Council of the Salvation Army was held at Sunbury-on-Thames to-day in most remarkable circumstances, a large force of police being on the scene, allowing no one to enter the grounds of Sunbury Court without a written permit.

The Council is drawn from all corners of the earth for the purpose of deciding whether General Bramwell Booth is physically fit in view of his illness to continue in leadership of the Army, and, incidentally, to consider the whole question of the control of the Army with its world-wide organisation and its funds amounting to £20,000,000.

It was an imposing gathering of sixty-three Commissioners from all parts of the globe, the sixty-fourth being absent through illness. All the delegates are pledged to secrecy. The challenge to the General's competence to continue in office has come from his sister, Commander Evangeline Booth, the head of the Salvation Army in the United States, who has made more than one demand for the reform of the autocratic control of the Army.

General Booth's Supporter.

General Bramwell Booth's daughter, Commissioner Catherine Booth, is his leading protagonist.

The aunt and niece were the principal figures at the Council meeting, information concerning which is being given out by means of official communiques.

One of these communiques states that the preliminary proceedings were conducted by Commissioner E. J. Higgins, the Chief of Staff, and that the Council had elected Commissioner Hay of New Zealand as its President.

A message has been sent to General Booth by the High Council expressing love and sympathy. The General is remaining at Southwold, a small fishing village on the coast of Suffolk, where he has been staying ever since he was taken ill.

Proceedings Open.

The proceedings opened with a hymn and prayer, and after the choice for President of the gathering had fallen on Commissioner Hay, an adjournment was taken for the consideration of resolutions which are to be presented.

Commissioner Catherine Booth, the General's daughter, with some of the other delegates, left Sunbury Court for a small villa some little distance away to confer privately on the problems before the High Council.

When the Council reassembled, the same strict precautions were taken to ensure that no outsider should enter the place of the meeting.

What happened afterwards is not yet known, in the absence of any official announcement.

The Council in the evening adjourned until to-morrow. In the meantime, the delegates are not allowed to leave Sunbury Court.

EXPRESS DISASTER AT ASHCURCH.**THREE MORE DEATHS DISCOVERED.****TERRIBLE WRECKAGE.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

LONDON, Jan. 8th.

A serious railway accident occurred in Gloucestershire late this evening, when a passenger express, travelling from Bristol to Nottingham, crashed into a goods train at high speed.

The accident occurred at Ashchurch, near Tewkesbury, within twenty miles of Chalfeld, where fifteen were killed and 30 injured in a collision in the middle of October.

The express was racing through fog at fifty miles an hour when it dashed into a goods train in a terrible head-on collision. The driver of the express was killed instantly, and two carriages on the train were overturned.

Rescue parties were quickly on the scene and fifteen injured passengers were saved from the debris. The bodies of three others were founded pinned by the wreckage.

Train Out In Two.

In addition to four deaths it is now reported that 25 were injured in the collision. The express cut right through the goods train, which was shunting from the main line into a siding. The engine then almost buried itself in the ground, the coaches behind rearing up to a height of thirty feet above each other.

A hose pipe run from Ashchurch station extinguished the fire in the locomotive, but the water which ran over the wreckage froze, handicapping the rescuers whose efforts were also hampered by fog. This was so dense that the ambulance from Gloucester had to be piloted by a motor car.

PARLIAMENT'S TERM CLOSING.**DATE OF GENERAL ELECTION.****IMPORTANT BUSINESS STILL IN HAND.****[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]**

RUGBY, Jan. 8th.

The date of the General Election, which must take place this year, as Parliament has entered the fifth and last year of its allotted span, is now the subject of general interest.

The new Register, with its addition of some five million women to the electorate, comes into force on May 1st, and it is anticipated that Parliament will be dissolved as soon after that date as possible.

The Budget has to be passed, and if the exigencies of other Parliamentary business permit, it is hoped in Government circles that the Dissolution may take place in the latter part of May. Friday, May 24th, is actually spoken of as a suitable date.

If this date were chosen, the General Election could take place on June 13th.

DUTCH RUBBER SCHEMES.**CIRCUMVENTING BRITISH MONOPOLY.****ALLIANCE WITH AMERICA.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

LONDON, Jan. 8th.

Heer K. M. Kloppenburg is planning to pay a visit to the United States shortly in an attempt to secure support for the formation of an American-Dutch rubber trust company.

The aim of this company should be the mission prove successful, will be to make the American consumer and the Dutch producer independent of the British rubber monopoly.

It will be recalled that Heer Kloppenburg last year submitted a revalorisation proposal to the British and Dutch Colonial Offices and the Governor-General of the Dutch East Indies.

The new move follows the refusal of the Governor-General to participate in the scheme outlined.

BATTLE RAGING NEAR KABUL.**REBELS GAINING GROUND.****RUSSIANS SERVE THE ROYALISTS.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

PESHAWAR, Jan. 9th.

A battle has been raging since last Monday ten miles from Kabul between the royalists and rebel forces commanded by Bachai Sakao.

Messages from Kabul confirm the resumption of hostilities in the vicinity of the capital. The rebels are attacking from the north west and apparently gaining ground.

Legation Reports.

LONDON, Jan. 8th.

Loyal Afghan troops are following up the rebel tribesmen according to an official telegram received by the Afghan Legation in London from Kabul.

Afghan artillery has resumed activities against the rebels in the Northern Provinces and has been bombarding their positions in the hills, eventually forcing a retirement further north.

The situation in Kabul and the other provinces is now rapidly returning to normal.

The Governor of Jelalabad Province is continuing negotiations with the Shinwaris, and the discussions seem likely to reach a successful conclusion.

A message from Peshawar announces the arrival of jories and camel caravans from the Governor of Jelalabad, and this is taken as a definite indication that the roads are now safer. It is reported that Amanullah has agreed to abolish conscription, and to lift the ban on the entry of foreign mullahs.

Russian Pilots.

The part played by Russians in the Afghan situation is shown by the report of the death of two Russian pilots, one from wounds received while bombing the rebels and the other killed when an Afghan plane crashed at Kabul and was burnt to ashes. The observer, also a Russian, was injured.

UNEMPLOYMENT RETURNS.**[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]**

RUGBY, Jan. 8th.

The Ministry of Labour announces that the number of unemployed on December 31st was 1,520,700.

This was 249,578 more than on December 17th. Compared with a year ago, the increase was 184,387.

Telegram in Brief.

The White Star Line announces that its headquarters will be removed from Liverpool to London. The change is merely executive and will take place during the next few months.

The latest monthly statement issued by Mr. Parker Gilbert, the Agent General for Reparations, shows that out of 922,000 gold marks paid by Germany under the Dawes Scheme for the year ended December 31st, the British Empire received 164,000,000 francs, 384,000,000 marks, the United States 27,000,000 and Japan 3,000,000. The total transfers were 720,000,000 marks, leaving a cash balance of 202,000,000 marks.

The anti-smuggling conference between the United States and Canada opened at Ottawa to-day. America is represented by Admiral Ballard, who stated that the United States aims principally at securing Canadian assent to withhold clearance of liquor-laden vessels bound for American ports.

The record price of \$600,000 was paid yesterday for a seat on the New York Stock Exchange. It is interesting to note regarding the influenza epidemic in America that no fewer than fifty boys attached to the Stock Exchange have been smitten with the disease. Desperate measures have been adopted to check its further spread.

The death-roll in the volcanic eruptions at Calbuco and Puyehue, Chile is expected to be about thirty. The disturbance is now subsiding.

The death is announced by cable from New York of Mr. Benjamin Newton Duke, the millionaire tobacco manufacturer.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

THE INTERPORT TRIAL.

COLONY BEAT THE NAVY.

The following are the results of yesterday's games:—

INTERPORT TRIAL GAME.

Selected Team 3 Royal Navy ... 1
Hong Kong League: Division I.
R.A. ... 4 Small Units ... 0

Mid-week League.

China Athletic 4 P.W.D. Chinese 2
H.K. Police 11 Hung Kui ... 0
South China v. Lam Long Wan not played.

MID-WEEK LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
China Athletic	12	10	1	1	21
South China	9	9	1	2	13
Lam Long Wan	11	3	2	4	12
P.W.D. Chinese	12	4	3	3	11
H.K. Police	13	4	2	6	10
Ewo Chinese	11	3	3	3	9
Hung Kui	11	1	0	10	2

INTERPORT TRIAL.

SELECTED TEAM v. ROYAL NAVY.

The Navy fielded a fairly strong team in the Interport Trial game on the H.K.F.C. ground but Baker, Barkham, Evans and Perks were among those absent.

Bocha failed to turn up and for most of the game the team played ten men only. Au Kit Sang of the China Athletic coming out for the last fifteen minutes of the game. It took the forwards some time to settle down, owing to the rushing tactics of the Navy halfback line, ably led by Farlow. The Navy forwards played a dashing game, and Wynne and Lai Yuk Tat were not very safe. Kernick left the defence standing and tested Clarke. At the interval the score sheet was blank.

When the second half opened the Selected team inside forwards gave a good exhibition of the short passing game and soon had the Navy defence guessing. Suen scored with a cross shot and the Navy levelled up through Kernick. The Navy should have taken the lead but shooting was wild. Following good work by the inside forwards, Suen netted.

SMALL UNITS v. R.A.

At Sookunpoo yesterday Small Units again demonstrated their inability to score goals, and after having a fair share of the play in midfield, were compelled to admit defeat. The Gunners on the other hand made the most of the chances which came their way, and with Leach making a welcome reappearance in the forward line, the attack was crisp and incisive. An early corner to Small Units was beautifully taken by Basham, but Wilson missed with only Fletcher to beat. The Gunners went away on the left, and from the resulting centre Hill opened the scoring. After Fletcher had saved a header from Elliott, R.A. went through on the right wing, and Gill netted from Woods' centre.

Half-time: Small Units 0, R.A. 2.
On resuming Leach moved to the inside left position, and scored a characteristic goal within two minutes of the restart. Later a slip by the Small Units defence let in Cotton, who had no difficulty in finding the net. Leach had a great chance a moment later, but shot straight at Watson, who brought off a clever clearance. The closing stages were tame, neither side showing a great deal of constructive ability.

Result:—Small Units 0, R.A. 4.

Teams:—
Small Units: Watson, Smith, Dodson, Bial, Skinner, Grosvenor, Elliott, Sabin, Wilson, Coates and Basham.

R.A.: Fletcher, Oliver, Nellis, Taylor, Fuller, Joyce, Woods, Cotton, Gill, Hill and Leach.

CHINESE ATHLETIC v. P.W.D. (CHINESE).

Before a large crowd at Happy Valley, Athletic won an interesting game by four goals to two. The home team received a shock in the opening half, for, after taking the lead through Hin in Fai, they slackened off, and P.W.D. put on pressure to such good effect that they crossed over leading by two goals to one. Both the P.W.D. goals were scored by Chu Ping Fai. The second half was all Athletic, but P.W.D. defence held them at bay for some time. Leung Tat Wing eventually equalised, and Au Kit Sang put the home team ahead with a fine drive from a free kick. Just before the final whistle Leung Tat Wing put the issue out of doubt.

Result:—Chinese Athletic 4, P.W.D. 2.
(Continued on next Column).

LAWN TENNIS.

UNIVERSITY MATCH.

PAST BEAT PRESENT.

The annual match between the Past and Present members of the local University was played on the Union Courts at Pokfulam yesterday and resulted in a win for the Past by the narrowest possible margin of 1 game only.

The scores follow:

Ng Sz Kwong and C. Chea (Past)
beat C. de Sousa and T. K. Tan ... 6-5
beat K. T. San and T. W. Chong ... 6-5
beat P. C. Lim and H. T. Lee ... 6-5

18-15

T. C. Lu and H. Lo (Past)

lost to G. de Sousa and T. K. Tan ... 4-7

lost to K. T. San and T. W. Chong ... 4-7

beat P. C. Lim and H. T. Lee ... 10-1

18-15

A. H. Rumjahn and T. L. Lu (Past)

lost to G. de Sousa and T. K. Tan ... 4-7

lost to K. T. San and T. W. Chong ... 4-7

beat P. C. Lim and H. T. Lee ... 6-5

14-18

Total: Past 30: Present 48.

Open Doubles.

It is announced that L. Goldman and McEachran have entered the Open Doubles Championship of the Colony together. They are a formidable combination and should go a long way in this event.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

CLUB v. MR. MATTINGLEY'S SERVICE XV.

The following will represent the Club v. Mr. Mattingley's Services XV. on Saturday at 4 p.m. at Happy Valley:—

S. J. Fox; H. G. Mills, G. A. L. Plummer, H. V. Koop (Capt.), R. H. Dowler; J. L. Bonnar, V. W. L. Stanion; P. L. P. Thomas, H. F. Akehurst, W. Lithgow Smith, J. Riddell, E. R. West, B. P. Massey, W. Beveridge, R. P. Moodie.

Referee: H. F. L. Ewin.

A full practice will be held on Thursday at 5.15 p.m.

HOCKEY.

CLUB DRAW WITH PUNJABIS.

Playing on the Marina ground at Kowloon yesterday evening the first eleven of the Hong Kong Hockey Club drew with the 15th Punjab Regiment, both sides scoring three goals. E. R. Smith scored two goals for the Club and C. C. Francis added the third goal. The centre forward and right inside, both Indian players, scored a goal each for the Regiment, the other goal being scored by one of the European officers.

YACHTING.

The Hon. Secretary of the R.H.K.Y.C. informs us that the result of the first Championship Race for IV and G classes will take place next Saturday. There will also be a race for the H class over the same course.

POLICE v. HUNG KUI SCHOOL.

Police did not appear to take matters very seriously in their mid-week League engagement with Hung Kui School yesterday, and a very poor game was the result. The only goal scored, and which gave the Police full points, was obtained through Chun Yui Wing. There was little to choose between the two teams the Police forwards being all at sea near goal.

Result:—Police 1, Hung Kui School 0.

SOUTH CHINA v. LAM LONG WAN.

Lam Long Wan turned up with only six men for their mid-week League match at Caroline Hill yesterday. The start was delayed until 4.20, but no further players arrived, and the Referee, L/Cpl. Lees, cancelled the match, South China claiming both points.

INTERPORT TRIAL TEAM.

On Tuesday next, on Wednesday as previously notified, another trial game will be played. The following have been selected:—
Clarke; Wynne and Hooper; C. F. Remedios, McKelvie and Cantor; Cross, A. Gosano, Goldman, Suen Kum Shun and Rocha.
Reserves:—Li Tin Sang, Hill and Brown.

THE PARAGUAY-BOLIVIA DISPUTE.

OVER THE BOUNDARY OF EL CHACO AREA.

A WILD COUNTRY OF GREAT POSSIBILITIES.

Writing on the recent troubles between Bolivia and Paraguay a London Times correspondent says: "The area in dispute is known as the Chaco. Reports have described that there was a 'sanguinary encounter,' and that the Bolivians occupied Fort Boqueron, the Paraguayans retreating. But it should be understood that, though they are called forts and given names with military pomp and ceremony, most of these forts are no more than what we should call military outposts—hardly more than grass shelters against the heat or rain. Some of the Bolivian forts are fortified—more than of the Paraguayans, for only in the last six years or so has Paraguay taken to establishing these outposts, being forced to by the increasing aggressiveness of the Bolivian fort-building. It must also be understood that, when either side talks about its own or the other's territory, the expression is open to doubt, not only because of conflicting claims but also because each side is referring to a different boundary line as the basis—the dividing line—of the dispute.

Ever since 1877 there have been attempts by the Governments to settle the question of the dividing line in the Chaco between Bolivia and Paraguay. In 1907 a boundary was agreed upon in Buenos Aires known as the Soller-Pinilla line, and was held generally to be the accepted boundary, but it was never surveyed nor ratified. In 1913 after a conference in Asuncion another line known as the Ayala-Mujia line was discussed and an agreement entered into that both Republics should maintain for the time being what each held in the Gran Chaco. Since that time Paraguay has complained that her neighbour was encroaching upon her territory and building forts and to prevent further encroachments the erected check forts in her own territory.

The tension between the two Republics has been in evidence for many years, and caused grave fears in South America. Indeed, as far back as 1922 there were fears that Paraguay might become a second Belgium; and the good offices of Argentina last year, in attempting to bring the dispute to a definite conclusion may be taken as an indication of her anxiety in the dispute. As these two nations have been gradually advancing in prosperity during the last decade war between them would throw them back into the old position out of which they have painfully struggled, and it is to be hoped that their more enlightened statesmen will pay attention to the letters they have received from the League of Nations and the communications they may have received from the neighbouring interested Republics.

The district known as El Chaco is an immense area of fertile land, portions of which belong to the Republics of Argentina, Bolivia, and Paraguay, and it is the portion claimed by Paraguay that is under dispute at the present time. The natural boundaries of El Chaco are the Rivers Parana and Paraguay on the east, and the River Pilcomayo, a tributary of the River Paraguay, which has its source in the Bolivian hills, flows in a southeasterly direction, and empties into the Paraguay a short distance below Asuncion the capital of the Republic of Paraguay, forming the boundary between Argentina, Paraguay, and Bolivia.

The aboriginal inhabitants of the Chaco Borel are Indians of which there are at least seven tribes, Lengua, Sanapaná, Chamacoco, Chanapi, Tothili, Pifaga, and Tobá. Each tribe has its recognized territory, and each has its own distinct language. It is difficult to give with anything like accuracy the number of Indians in this district—they will not greatly exceed 50,000. In general appearance the Indian is of medium height, well proportioned, somewhat Mongolian in type (but there are great variations), with skin of

a reddish chocolate colour—yet again various shades are encountered. They are hunters and fishermen, agriculture being followed to a limited extent; their implements for this art being most primitive, and their enemies in the form of locusts and ants most persistent.

As the country produces natural vegetable food the need of agriculture is not pressing. The weapons of the Indian are the bow and arrows and a club, but in recent years he has adopted the shot-gun to hunt his game. In arts and crafts the man has little or nothing to show, his work is largely that of food provider, but the woman makes pottery in a primitive way by building up a vessel with successive rings of clay, preserving a fairly circular model in the process. Blanket-weaving and net-making also fall to the woman's share, and the patterns woven into these two articles are closely allied to the old Inca patterns in textiles. As each individual can make all that he or she needs there is no division of labour found in the tribes. Villages have a nominal chief, but few have any authority, and there is no head chief to the tribe. In the event of war, which is rather of the nature of tribal feuds than real war, the men of the villages are called together and the chief considered the bravest assumes control. In religion all are animists, fearing spirits, worshipping no deity, and submitting themselves to their witch-doctors. Their dwellings are mere shelters of grass thrown upon a rough framework of small boughs. Scarcity of food or water and at times a death in the village necessitate that the village be abandoned, and under these conditions the erection of more stable dwellings cannot be expected.

Within the last 20 years great developments have taken place in the Paraguayan Chaco. The Paraguayan township of Villa Hayes has increased in size and importance, and a large and successful colony of agriculturists and cattle farmers is in the near vicinity. An English cattle company occupies, and is developing, an extensive area in the interior. A North American company for the exploitation of the quebracho extract has established a large factory at Puerto Pinasco on the river bank, and a township has developed round it.

A large area of the Chaco is well adapted for cattle raising, and ranchers are steadily improving their stock; the supply of quebracho is still plentiful. Open lands beyond the palm zone are more suitable for agriculture, but the rainfall is not constant, there are no signs of the possibility of irrigation, and the locust invasion is an annual event; whilst some of the back blocks, near the line of the present political trouble, are waterless and poor in value.

In the open grassland the Carandá palm is the most prominent tree and a most monotonous feature of the landscape, being found sometimes in small groups, but usually in extensive quantities forming veritable forests. Swamp lands are the haunt of the marsh deer, the carpincho, the tapir, the nutria, and innumerable water fowl and waders. On the open plains the reas, the Pampa deer, numerous armadillos, and at times the great ant-eater are encountered. The forests and their margins conceal the jaguar, the puma, the maned wolf, large troops of peccaries, brockets, and smaller wild cats. Of the numerous fishes found in streams and swamps the most interesting is the South American Lung fish, Lepidosiren paradoxa; the interest to zoologists being that the fish is a kind of connecting link between fishes and land animals. Bird life is abundant and very varied, the architecture of some of the nests being elaborate and strange. But exceeding all creatures in number and activity are the insects, year in and year out an ever-present plague.

EMPIRE DEVELOPMENT.

SCOPE FOR WORK BY CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE.

Mr. F. L. McDougall, speaking at the quarterly luncheon of the Sheffield Chamber of Commerce at Sheffield, said that what the Empire meant to Great Britain should be considered in two phases—firstly, what it meant now, and secondly, what it could mean in the immediate future. To-day prosperity was rapidly returning to the world after the post-war depression, but Great Britain was not obtaining her share. Within the Empire, however, Great Britain held 40 per cent. of import trade, against 10 per cent. of that of foreign countries. To-day India bought more British iron and steel than all South American and the Western European countries taken together. Of heavy iron and steel goods Australia bought twice as much as Argentina. The Empire bought five times more of British machinery than did the foreign world; Australia bought more machinery

than the whole of South America and double the value of electrical machinery.

After referring to the prospects of immediate developments in India, Nigeria, and Australia, Mr. McDougall said that the rapidity of Empire development was conditioned by the vigour of British co-operation. Such co-operation depended on vision and planning ahead. Politicians were of necessity forced to concern themselves mainly with the immediate present, and the same was largely true of individual business men; but surely the Chambers of Commerce should study the future prospects of British trade.

An Imperial conference was due in about a year's time. Should not the Chambers of Commerce, during the next twelve months, study the question of how Empire development could most rapidly improve British trade? Mr. McDougall emphasised that the support of a great volume of well-considered and influential industrial and commercial opinion would do more to stimulate Empire development than anything else that he could imagine.

SUPERANNUATION FOR MINERS.

MR. HENDERSON'S SUGGESTION TO THE GOVERNMENT.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, M.P., secretary of the Socialist Party, speaking at Pontypridd suggested that, instead of granting money for the immediate relief of distress, the Government should use its financial resources to provide superannuation allowances for the elderly miners, and grants to enable the school-leaving age to be raised, with maintenance for the young people thus kept out of the labour market. He hoped that the immediate relief of distress would be sufficiently provided by the generosity of the public.

Mr. Henderson also urged the need for assisting the migration of miners overseas.

"I am confident," he said, "I am speaking the mind of the Labour Party and that of the Trade Union Congress in saying that they would be prepared to co-operate with the Government in an effort to find a solution of the more pressing problems and intolerable distresses of the coalfields along these lines."

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The B.I. and Apecar Line s.s. Tlawa left Singapore for this port on the afternoon of the 7th inst., and is due here on the morning of the 13th inst.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

	Sunrise.	Sunset.
To-day	7.05 a.m.	5.58 p.m.
To-morrow	7.06 ..	5.56 ..
Saturday	7.06 ..	5.57 ..

VESSELS EXPECTED.

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Siam, Jan. 20th.
Java, Jan. 20th.
Australia, Feb. 11th.
Denmark, Feb. 15th.
Chile, Feb. 23rd.

Glen Line.

Cardiganshire, Jan. 21st.
Glenshane, Feb. 6th.
Glennamoy, Feb. 11th.
Glengarry, Feb. 19th.
Glennapp, March 4th.

Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

Havelland, Jan. 22nd.
Oldenberg, Jan. 25th.
Havenstein, Feb. 6th.
Ermland, Feb. 15th.
Leverkusen, March 4th.
Burgeland, March 18th.

Java-China-Japan Line.

Tjitaroen, to-morrow.
Tjikembang, Jan. 14th.
Tjikmanock, Jan. 14th.
Tjikarang, Jan. 18th.
Tjileboet, Jan. 23rd.
Tjisaroen, Jan. 28th.
Tjisalak, Jan. 28th.

Messageries Maritimes.

Athos II., Jan. 15th.
Sphinx, Jan. 15th.
General Metzinger, Jan. 27th.
D'Artagnan, Jan. 29th.
Compiègne, Feb. 12th.
Andre Lebon, Feb. 26th.
Porthos, March 15th.
Chenonceaux, March 26th.

Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen.

Trier, Jan. 13th/14th.
Fulda, Jan. 14th.
Lahn, Jan. 23rd.
Dorffinger, Feb. 10th.
Goettingen, Feb. 23th.
Saarbruecken, March 13th.

Prince Line.

Javanese Prince, Jan. 29th.
Japanese Prince, Feb. 21st.

Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

Awa Maru, to-day.
Atsuta Maru, to-morrow.
Kawachi Maru, Jan. 13th.
Matsuyo Maru, Jan. 13th.
Lyons Maru, Jan. 18th.
Mishima Maru, Jan. 17th.
Akita Maru, Jan. 20th.
Fushimi Maru, Jan. 20th.
Durban Maru, Jan. 21st.
Tokushima Maru, Jan. 21st.
Ais Maru, Jan. 22nd.
Kashima Maru, Jan. 25th.
Tatsuno Maru, Jan. 26th.
Anyo Maru, Jan. 27th.
Bingo Maru, Jan. 27th.
Hakodate Maru, Jan. 27th.
Tottori Maru, Jan. 27th.
Ceylon Maru, Jan. 30th.
Koyei Maru, Jan. 30th.
Korea Maru, Feb. 4th.

Peninsular and Oriental.

Kidderpore, to-day.
Kashgar, Jan. 18th.
Alipore, Jan. 24th.
Padua, Jan. 24th.
Mirzapore, Jan. 29th.
Macedonia, Feb. 1st.
Morea, Feb. 2nd.
Khiva, Feb. 15th.
Malwa, March 1st.
Nagpore, March 3rd.
Khyber, March 7th.
Naldara, March 15th.
Karmala, March 21st.
Lahore, March 24th.
Mantua, March 28th.
Jeyapore, April 11th.
Kashmir, April 11th.

Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.

Nippon: Jan. 31st.
Ceylon: Feb. 8th.

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Pres. Polk... Sun. Feb. 10, 8 a.m.
Pres. Harrison... Sun. Mar. 24, 8 a.m.

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Pres. Grant... Jan. 19th, 6 p.m.
Pres. Lincoln... Jan. 29th, 6 p.m.

Pres. Cleveland... Feb. 2nd, 6 p.m.
Pres. Madison... Feb. 12th, 6 p.m.
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On Date at 12 p.m.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From January 10th to 16th, 1929.

HIGH WATER. LOW WATER.

Day of Week.

Date of Month.

Hong Kong Standard Time.

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Hong Kong, 9th Jan., 1929. [7231]

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(UNITED NETHERLANDS NAVIGATION CO.)

HOLLAND-OOST AZIE LIJN, (HOLLAND-EAST ASIA LINE).

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, BREMEN & GENOA.

THE Steamship "OUDERKERK" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the China Provision Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves, Delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 16th January, 1929, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays, between the hours of 10.45 A.M. and Noon, within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 16th January, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Vessel must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 30th January, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN, General Agents.

Hong Kong, 9th Jan., 1929. [7211]

BRITISH INDIA S.S. CO., LTD.

FROM K O B E.

THE Steamship "TALMA" having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where Delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by 13th January, 1929, will be subject to Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, at 10 a.m. Mondays and Thursdays.

All Claims must be presented within Ten days of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 18th January, 1929, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Vessel must be presented to the Underwriter on or before 18th January, 1929, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Saturdays, 12th January, 1929, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by THE BANK LINE, LTD., General Agents.

Hong Kong, 7th Jan., 1929. [7204]

SERVICE TO READERS.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

FROM VICTORIA, SEATTLE AND VANCOUVER VIA JAPAN.

CONSIGNEES per Co's Vessel "TALPHYRUS" are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from Godown on and after 9th January.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given prior to Vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays, between the hours of 10.45 A.M. and Noon, within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Vessel's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th January, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Vessel must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 29th January, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

9th January, 1929. [7214]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

FROM NEW YORK VIA MANILA.

CONSIGNEES per Co's Vessel "LYCAON" are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from Godown on and after 10th January.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given prior to Vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Vessel's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th January, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Vessel must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 30th January, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

9th January, 1929. [7215]

"CLEN" LINE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA PORTS.

THE Motor Vessel "GLENOGLE" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where Delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 16th January, 1929, at Noon, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined in the presence of Consignees by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas on 15th January, 1929, at 10 a.m. Claims against the Vessel including those for Cargo short delivered must be presented on the Special Form provided, and must also be submitted within 30 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hong Kong, 9th Jan., 1929. [7212]

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M.V. "Chile" ... 31st April

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STEAMERS	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE ON OR ABOUT	FOR
TJIMANOEK	DALNY, K'LUNG & AMOT	14th Jan.	16th Jan.	MAKASSAR & SOERABAYA
TJIKEMBANG	S'HAL & AMOT	14th Jan.	16th Jan.	BATAVIA
TJISALAK	DALNY, K'LUNG & AMOT	25th Jan.	30th Jan.	MAKASSAR & SOERABAYA
TJIKARANG	S'HAL & AMOT	25th Jan.	30th Jan.	BATAVIA
TJISAROE	S'HAL & AMOT	7th Feb.	9th Feb.	BATAVIA
TJTAROE	DALNY, K'LUNG & AMOT	11th Feb.	13th Feb.	MAKASSAR & SOERABAYA

NORTH BOUND.

STEAMERS	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE ON OR ABOUT	FOR
TJTAROE	JAVA, MAKASSAR	11th Jan.	13th Jan.	AMOT & N. CHINA
TJIKARANG	BATAVIA	16th Jan.	18th Jan.	AMOT & SHANGHAI
TJILEBOET	JAVA, MAKASSAR	23rd Jan.	26th Jan.	AMOT & N. CHINA
TJISAROE	BATAVIA	26th Jan.	28th Jan.	AMOT & SHANGHAI

TO MANILA.

STEAMERS	FROM HONG KONG	FROM MANILA
TJIMANOEK	16th January, 1 p.m.	16th January
TJISALAK	30th January, 1 p.m.	2nd February
TJTAROE	13th February, 4 p.m.	16th February

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M.V. "BURGENLAND" ... due here on or about the 16th Mar.

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Sailings for Genoa, Rotterdam and Hamburg via Manila, Singapore, Colombo & Port Said:-

S.S. "OLDENBURG" direct to Singapore sailing from here on or about the 25th Jan.
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S.S. "EMIL KIRCHOFF" sailing from here on or about the 5th Feb.
M.V. "HAYELAND" sailing from here on or about the 15th Feb.
M.S. "HAYENSTEIN" sailing from here on or about the 7th Mar.
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SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 10th Jan.	9 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"CHUKIANG"	On 10th Jan.	9 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SZHOUHAI"	On 13th Jan.	9 a.m.
SHANGHAI & DALNY	"KANOW"	On 13th Jan.	9 a.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"TEAN"	On 13th Jan.	10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KIANGSU"	On 13th Jan.	11 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW, SHANGHAI & ROK	"KINGYUAN"	On 13th Jan.	5 p.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SINRIANG"	On 16th Jan.	9 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"HUPET"	On 16th Jan.	9 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"CHUAN"	On 17th Jan.	10 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"CHINKANG"	On 17th Jan.	3 p.m.
HONGKONG, SHANGHAI & BANGKOK	"KIANGCHOW"	On 18th Jan.	11 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANTUNG"	On 20th Jan.	6 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SOOCHOW"	On 20th Jan.	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI, CHUKO & DALNY	"YINGCHOW"	On 20th Jan.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KAYING"	On 20th Jan.	11 a.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUNNING"	On 22nd Jan.	9 p.m.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 24th Feb.	4 p.m.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"KUCICOW"	On 19th Feb.	4 p.m.

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ATROS II ... 15th Jan.	SPHINX ... 15th Jan.
DARTAGNAN ... 29th Jan.	G. METZINGER ... 27th Jan.
SPHINX ... 12th Feb.	COMPIEGNE ... 12th Feb.
G. METZINGER ... 26th Feb.	ANDRE LEBON ... 26th Feb.
COMPIEGNE ... 12th Mar.	PORTHOS ... 12th Mar.
ANDRE LEBON ... 28th Mar.	CHENONCEAUX ... 28th Mar.
PORTHOS ... 9th Apr.	ATROS II ... 9th Apr.
CHENONCEAUX ... 23rd Apr.	DARTAGNAN ... 23rd Apr.

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Shipping News Arrivals and Departures, etc.

ARRIVALS.

January 8th.
Arica, Norwegian str., 1,840 tons, Capt. C. Croger, from Canton, lying at buoy No. B30.—Hai Hing Coal and S.N. Co.

Chokiang, British str., 1,313 tons, Capt. J. B. Bruce, from Shanghai and Amoy, with 190 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. B34.—B. & S.

Times Maru, Japanese str., 1,304 tons, Capt. T. Nakamura, from Hongkong, which port she left on January 3rd, with 1,000 tons of salt, lying at Yumanti.—M.B.K.

January 9th.

Achilles, British str., 7,190 tons, Capt. D. T. Williams, from Singapore, which port she left on January 4th, with a general cargo, lying at Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

Chak Sang, British str., 1,470 tons, Capt. E. Fisher, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at West Point Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

City of Bedford, British str., 4,107 tons, Capt. J. W. Kendall, from Hongkong, which port she left on January 5th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A52.—Bank Line.

Deli Maru, Japanese str., 2,173 tons, Capt. E. Yamamoto, from Canton, which 500 tons of general cargo, lying at O.S.K. Wharf.—O.S.K.

Glenogle, British motor ship, 9,513 tons, Capt. W. E. Roberts, from Singapore, which port she left on January 3rd, with 2,100 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Hai Yang, British str., 1,363 tons, Capt. W. C. Edwin, from Foochow, Amoy and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Douglas Wharf.—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.

Hozan Maru, Japanese str., 2,350 tons, Capt. H. Oyama, from Keelung, Amoy and Swatow, with 450 tons of coal and 51 tons of merchandise, lying at O.S.K. Wharf.—O.S.K.

Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Capt. W. Brewer, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Chiu On Wharf.—Chiu On S.S. Co.

Kokuryu Maru, Japanese str., 4,464 tons, Capt. S. Sakachi, from Tientsin, which port she left on January 4th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B50.—M.B.K.

Linan, British str., 1,356 tons, Capt. W. J. Larter, from Canton, lying at buoy No. B9.—B. & S.

Lycan, British str., 4,813 tons, Capt. R. S. Cohn, from Manila, which port she left on January 8th, with a general cargo, lying at A.P.C. Wharf.—B. & S.

Ouderkerk, Dutch str., 4,911 tons, Capt. Wapelaar, from Manila, which port she left on January 6th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A10.—J.C.J.L.

Punta, British str., 5,038 tons, Capt. Doris, from Samarang, which port she left on January 1st, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A24.—J.C.J.L.

Sarpedon, British str., 6,921 tons, Capt. T. N. Williamson, from Singapore, which port she left on January 4th, with a general cargo, lying at Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

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PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.
The following passengers arrived at Hong Kong from United Kingdom via Singapore by the s.s. Sarpedon yesterday:—Mr. A. Denholm, Mrs. J. M. Dobbie, Mrs. R. Dowd, Capt. R. G. Featherstonhaugh, Miss A. Freeland, Mrs. E. F. Gude, Miss E. V. Gude, Mr. C. J. Mayo, Mrs. H. O. Maas, Master P. Maas, Miss J. Maas, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Adams, Miss M. Adams, Mr. T. D. Adams, Mr. R. C. Aitkenhead, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Bolitho, Master R. G. Bolitho, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Boyce, Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Harrison, Mrs. C. B. Holgate, Miss J. A. Macdermott, Miss M. H. Rose, Mrs. L. K. Scott, Miss G. M. Scott, Miss L. K. Scott, Master B. Scott, and Mr. G. H. Wright.

The following passengers arrived here on January 9th by the R.M.S. Empress of France:—Mr. H. J. Coolidge, Jr., Dr. R. Wheeler, Mr. J. Van Tyne, Mr. R. Hendee, Miss J. R. George, Mrs. E. Humphreys, Miss J. M. Tate, Mrs. K. and Mrs. J. Sherrick, Mr. T. Stig-Nielsen, Dr. L. Bamber, Mr. K. M. Fetterly, Mr. H. P. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Beattie, Miss J. Beattie, Master B. Beattie, Mr. J. R. L. Calder, Mr. R. Bigazzi, Mr. J. Delbourgo, Mr. J. Heard, Mr. C. E. Horsman, Mr. H. Humphreys, Mrs. E. R. Keller, Mr. E. H. Keller, Rev. J. E. McRae, Mr. R. Seyd, Mr. A. Vanetti, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Watkins, Mr. W. Weber, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Williams, Mr. R. L. Wyllie, Miss S. Y. Wong, Mr. F. Goh, Mr. S. Lau, Mr. J. Sui, Mr. A. Nissim, Mr. T. P. Wong, Mr. S. Wong, Mr. B. C. Lee, Mrs. S. C. Chen, Mrs. M. L. Wu, Mr. D. S. Lau, Mrs. R. Thompson, Mr. M. S. Cheng, Mr. C. N. Yang, Mr. C. Y. Chau, Mr. C. K. Ho, Mr. K. Vuyk, Mr. J. C. Van Hilten, Mr. K. Lambers, Mr. C. de Haas, (Continued on next Column.)

Departures.
The following passengers left yesterday by the Empress of Russia for Vancouver and way ports:—Capt. E. Aikman, Mr. Au Moo, Lt. and Mrs. E. W. Barry, Mr. H. R. Borsen, Miss G. S. Blyth, Mr. P. V. Botelho, Mr. Y. S. Chan, Mr. Chan Wah Tung, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Chiu, Mr. Chow Yun Yue, Mr. Cheung Sun Mun, Mr. Chan Yu Kong, Mr. Chung Young, Mr. Li S. Cheng, Mr. Chan Pui Fong, Mr. K. Y. Chan, Mrs. Chiang She, Miss L. Chue, Miss A. Chue, Mr. and Mrs. Chan Ping, Mrs. C. Cantor, Miss A. Clinton, Mr. Chow Chee, Mrs. Ching Lee Shie, Mr. H. S. Chang, Mr. C. S. Chang, Mr. J. Duthie, Mrs. E. O. Drake and children, Miss D. Elliott, Mr. Feng Tze-Ying, Mr. Fu Young Chao, Mr. Fung Pak, Mrs. L. A. Fergie, Miss A. Fong, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Fung, Mr. Heung Chuck Hung, Mr. Ho Chung Yee, Mr. Ho Yin Tong, Mr. M. M. Ho, Mr. T. D. Hood, Mr. R. Hall, Mr. K. O. Ho, Mr. W. M. Ho, Mr. Ho Cheuk Yin, Mrs. C. H. Ho, Mr. and Mrs. Hon Nien Foy, Mr. W. D. Hawker, Mr. A. Harland, Mr. W. J. Hawker, Mr. Ho Wai Hing, Mr. K. Tchaikar, Mr. Kuo Yuan, Miss E. Y. Kendon, Mrs. Kwok Tai Tai and infant, Miss Kwok Poy Kam, Mr. Kwan Kee, Mr. Kwan Do Yan, Mr. King Yai Ting, Mr. Lee Shong Hing, Mr. Lum Hoi Sang, Mr. Lam Chup Sam, Mr. L. Lacombe, Mrs. Lom Lee She, Mrs. D. M. Lee, Mrs. Lai She, Mr. Lee Kim, Mr. D. M. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Leung Shau Kow, Mr. W. C. Liu, Mr. S. Y. Liu.

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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

HEAVY BRITISH IMPORTS.

THROUGH FREIGHTS HIGH.

The general cargo returns for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were well above average, and showed a big increase over the previous day's figures. Imports were well above the average with a good contribution from British ships. Through freights were also good, with British ships contributing more than two-thirds of the total. Eighteen arrivals and fifteen departures were shown, of which eleven arrivals and eight departures were British.

Thirteen vessels discharged 16,135 tons of general cargo for this port of which seven British ships contributed 12,338 tons. The two best returns were from two Blue Funnel liners. The s.s. Talhybuis discharged 8,091 tons of general cargo from Tacoma and Mike, and the s.s. Sarpedon from Liverpool and Singapore had 2,577 tons.

Cargo for through ports amounted to 32,013 tons. Of the nine carriers, eight were British with 25,712 tons. The two best carriers were again British ships. The s.s. Gleniffer carried 5,550 tons from Vladivostok and Shanghai, while the s.s. Sarpedon from Liverpool and Singapore had 6,870 tons.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

	Arr.	Dep.
British	11	8
French	1	1
Norwegian	1	0
Japanese	3	2
Chinese	2	4
Total	18	15

DETAILS OF FREIGHTS.

Aratuna (British) arrived from Melbourne and Manila with 769 tons of hemp and general cargo for Hong Kong and 3,907 tons for other ports.

Sarpedon (British) arrived from Liverpool and Singapore with 2,577 tons of general merchandise for this port and 6,870 tons for through ports.

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Gleniffer (British) arrived from Vladivostok and Shanghai with 5,550 tons of general merchandise for ports beyond the Colony.

City of Lahore (British) arrived from Shanghai with 5,420 tons of general cargo for through ports.

Seistan (British) arrived from Swatow with 500 tons of general cargo for ports beyond.

Yunnan (British) arrived from Canton with 400 tons of general cargo for ports beyond the Colony.

Linnar (British) arrived from Shanghai and Canton with 60 tons of general cargo for through ports.

Chokiang (British) arrived from Shanghai and Amoy with 190 tons of general merchandise for Hong Kong and 704 tons for Canton.

Hai Yang (British) arrived from Foochow and Swatow with 300 tons of general merchandise for this port.

Hydrangea (British) arrived from Swatow with 138 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong.

Hanoi (French) arrived from Haiphong and Fort Bayard with 290 tons of general merchandise for Hong Kong.

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DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

DUMPING RUBBISH IN THE HARBOUR.

BOAT PEOPLE FINED.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

Kwok Kiu, mistress of a passenger sampan, and Lai Kum, the *foki* were before Commander G. F. Hole, at the Marine Court yesterday morning for dumping rubbish in the harbour without permission. The two defendants pleaded not guilty.

Evidence was given by the police officer who made the arrest to the effect that whilst on board, No. 9 Police Launch at 1 p.m. on December 9th he called defendant's sampan alongside for search. As the boat approached he saw the defendants throw something overboard.

The Chinese coxswain of the police launch also said that he saw several baskets on the sampan. One of the baskets—containing a bag of rice—was produced in Court and witness said it was one of the baskets which he had seen on the boat.

The first defendant said that the parcels belonged to three passengers, but the police had arrested her instead of the passengers. When the police searched the boat she submitted and the police found the bags of rice at the bottom of the sampan. They did not throw anything overboard.

The Magistrate registered a conviction and imposed a fine of \$5 on each of the defendants, and ordered the rice to be returned to the owners.

A Very Dangerous Cargo.

In imposing a fine of \$20 or three weeks' hard labour on a mistress of a passenger boat for carrying other than personal luggage on her passenger boat, the defendant was carrying 30 tons of kerosene. Commander Hole remarked that the defendant had no licence to carry cargo, and in addition she was carrying the most dangerous of all cargoes. He must treat it as a very serious case. The defendant pleaded guilty.

No Lights.

For failing to exhibit the usual regulation lights on his cargo boat, Wong Yee Fan, the master, was fined \$5 or 5 days' hard labour.

Chinese Passenger Commits Suicide.

While the s.s. Sui An, of the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company was on her way to Macao on Tuesday morning, a Chinese passenger jumped overboard and was not seen again.

The passenger jumped from the ship at 9.30 a.m., an hour and a half after the vessel had left the Wing Lok Street wharf when she was passing Brothers Point.

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Atlas Maru (Japanese) arrived from Otaru and Shanghai with 763 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong and 1,301 tons for other ports.

Times Maru (Japanese) arrived from Hakodate with 1,800 tons of salt for Hong Kong.

Hosan Maru (Japanese) arrived from Keelung and Swatow with 450 tons of coal, and 51 tons of general merchandise for Hong Kong.

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VESSELS EXPECTED.

American Mail Line.

President Jefferson, Jan. 14th.
President McKinley, Jan. 14th.
President Grant, Jan. 20th.

Australian-Oriental Line.

Change, Feb. 8th.
Taiping, March 8th.

Bank Line.

Automedon, Jan. 18th.
City of Peking, Jan. 23rd.
Polaris, Feb. 1st.
City of Kharthoum, Feb. 11th.
City of Delhi, March 11th.

Blue Funnel Line.

Eumaeus, Jan. 12th.
Ningchow, Jan. 14th.
Tydeus, Jan. 20th.
Aeneas, Jan. 22nd.
Talthybius, Jan. 24th.

Dolius, Jan. 25th.
Ixion, Jan. 25th.
Kecoma, Jan. 31st.
Calchas, Feb. 3rd.
Philoctetes, Feb. 5th.
Patroclus, Feb. 7th.

Autolycus, Feb. 8th.
Demodocus, Feb. 10th.
Bellerophon, Feb. 20th.
Sarpedon, Feb. 20th.
Euryades, Feb. 24th.
Troilus, Feb. 24th.

Tyndareus, Feb. 24th.
Menelaus, March 3rd.
Agamemnon, March 5th.
Antenor, March 7th.

Meriones, March 14th.
Protesilaus, March 19th.
Ajax, March 27th.
Odysseus, March 28th.
Pyrrhus, April 2nd.
Hector, April 4th.

Laomedon, April 5th.
British-India and Apcar Line.

Tilawa, Jan. 13th.
Takliwa, Jan. 17th.
Takada, Jan. 25th.
Santhis, Jan. 27th.

Talamba, Feb. 6th.
Taima, Feb. 16th.

Canadian Pacific Line.

Empress of Australia, Feb. 13th.

Dollar S.S. Line.

President Van Buren, Jan. 12th.
Eastern and Australian Lines.

Tanda, Feb. 4th.
St. Albans, March 4th.

Monthly Passenger Returns.

The passenger traffic figures for the month of December 1928, as given out by the Harbour Office, were as follows:—

	Arrs.	Depts.
Ocean going steamers	46,616	43,642
River steamers	58,832	96,061
Junks and launches	5,846	6,388

Total: 109,294 151,091

It is noteworthy that the departures outnumbered the arrivals under all three heads.

Five Blue Funnel Ships In Port.

Seldom is a Shipping Company so well represented among the numerous vessels in port as were Messrs. Alfred Holt, Ltd. yesterday. There were five large Blue Funnel vessels in the harbour at noon namely, the s.s. Sarpedon, Lycon, Achilles, Talthybius, and Perseus.

Two of these vessels, the s.s. Sarpedon and Talthybius, were shown in yesterday's daily cargo returns as the heaviest cargo carriers for this port. The s.s. Sarpedon was also second best carrier as regards cargo for through ports.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.

Nine vessels brought 995 Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday.

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"KALYAN"	9,144	19th Jan., Noon	Mart., Casablanca, L'don. & Hull.
"ALIPPORE"	9,373	24th Jan.	Strait., Colombo & Bombay.
"KIDDERPORE"	10,953	2nd Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KASGAR"	9,384	7th Feb.	Strait., Colombo & Bombay.
"MAEDONIA"	11,120	16th Feb.	Marseilles, Casablanca, London and Hull.
"PADUA"	9,907	2nd Mar.	Marseilles and London.
"KEIWA"	9,135	8th Mar.	Mars., L'don., A.werp., E. Ind., H'g.
"KHYBER"	9,114	16th Mar.	Marseilles, London and Hull.
"MALWA"	10,980	23rd Mar.	do.
"NALDERA"	10,088	30th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
"KARMALA"	9,128	13th Apr.	Mars., Marseilles and London.
"MANTUA"	10,941	20th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	9,855	27th Apr.	Marseilles and London.
"MORRA"	10,953	11th May	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KALYAN"	9,144	25th May	Marseilles and London.
"RAJPUTANA"	10,568	8th June	Bombay, Marseilles & L'don.
"RAJPUTANA"	10,568	22nd June	do.

* Cargo only.

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"SIRDHANA"	7,745	13th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
"SANTALA"	7,754	23rd Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TILAWA"	10,008	3rd Feb.	do.
"TAKLIWA"	7,938	13th Feb.	do.
"TAKADA"	6,846	19th Feb.	do.
"TALAMBA"	9,018	4th Mar.	do.

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EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH)

Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"ARAFURA"	6,000	1st Feb.	Maxia, Sandakan, Thursday.
"TANDA"	6,956	1st Mar.	Island, Townsville, Brisbane.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,300	30th Mar.	Sydney and Melbourne.

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The P. & O. Branch Service of Steamers to London via the Cape.
The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"KIDDERPORE"	5,324	11th Jan., D.L.	Mojik & Kobe.
"TILAWA"	10,008	14th Jan.	Amoy, Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Osaka.
"KARPIWA"	9,006	18th Jan.	Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TAKLIWA"	7,938	20th Jan.	Amoy, Mojik, Kobe & Osaka.
"PADUA"	9,907	24th Jan.	Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Y'ama.
"TAKADA"	6,846	28th Jan.	Amoy, Mojik, Kobe & Osaka.
"NIRAPPORE"	6,715	29th Jan.	Mojik & Kobe.
"MAEDONIA"	11,120	1st Feb.	Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TAL DA"	6,856	8th Feb.	Mojik, Kobe, Osaka & Y'ama.
"TALAMBA"	9,018	8th Feb.	Amoy, Mojik, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KEIWA"	9,135	14th Feb.	Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TALMA"	10,000	18th Feb.	Amoy, Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Osaka.
"KALYAN"	10,988	1st Mar.	Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,300	4th Mar.	Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KHYBER"	9,114	5th Mar.	Mojik, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"NALDERA"	10,088	8th Mar.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"LAHOBE"	5,252	25th Mar.	Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KARMALA"	9,128	25th Mar.	Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MANTUA"	10,940	29th Mar.	Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	31st Apr.	Mojik, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"JYPORE"	5,314	11th Apr.	Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	9,855	12th Apr.	Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MORRA"	10,953	28th Apr.	Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TANDA"	6,956	7th May	Mojik, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"KALYAN"	9,144	10th May	Shai, Mojik, Kobe & Yokohama.
"RAJPUTANA"	10,568	24th May	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

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